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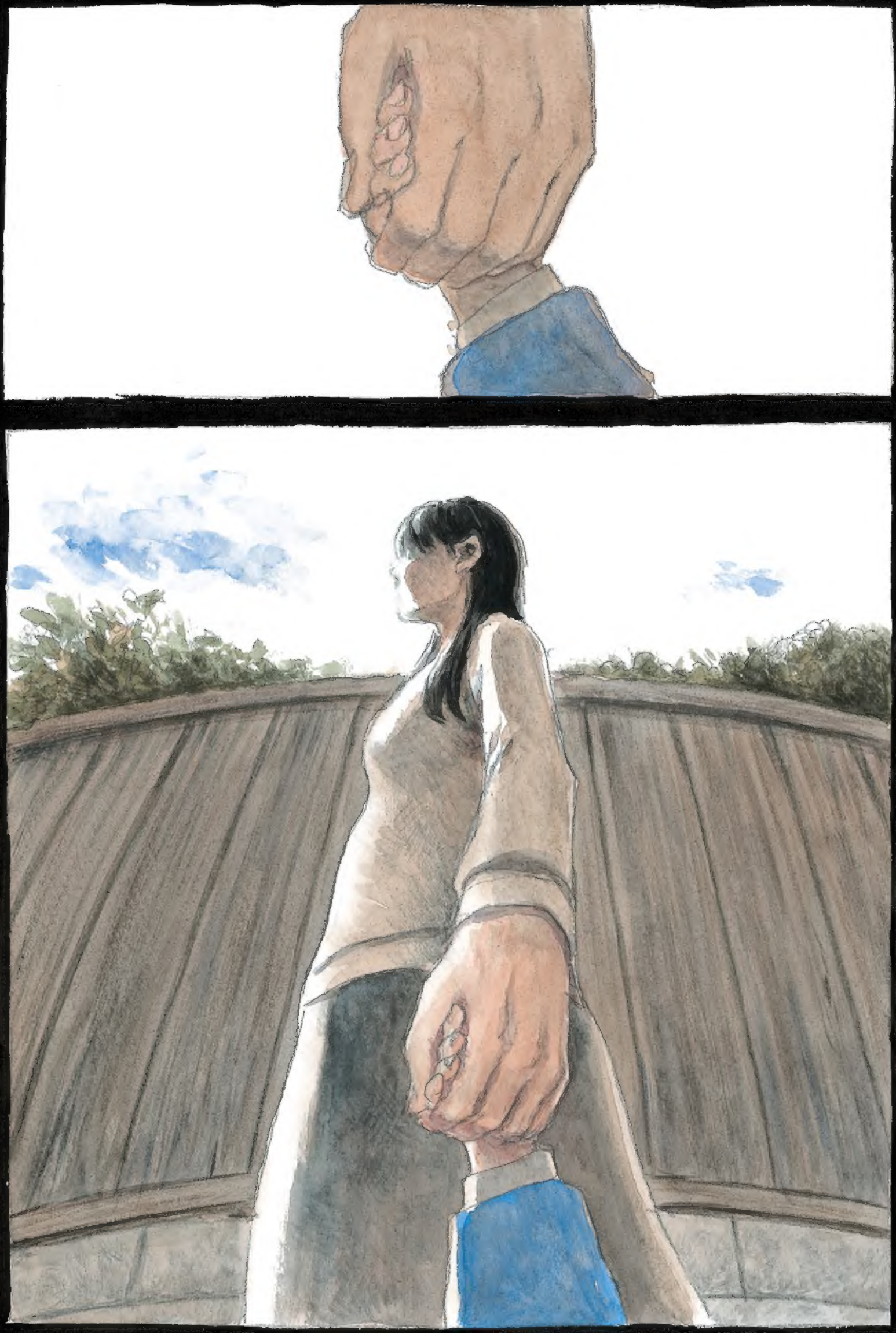


Look.

oh.

It's asleep.

A kitty.

Yeah!

It's so cute!
Wow...

Go ahead.

Hi little kitty.

Isn't it cute, Mommy?
Can I touch it?

Huh?

it's cold...?

Mommy,

So it is.

Hm...

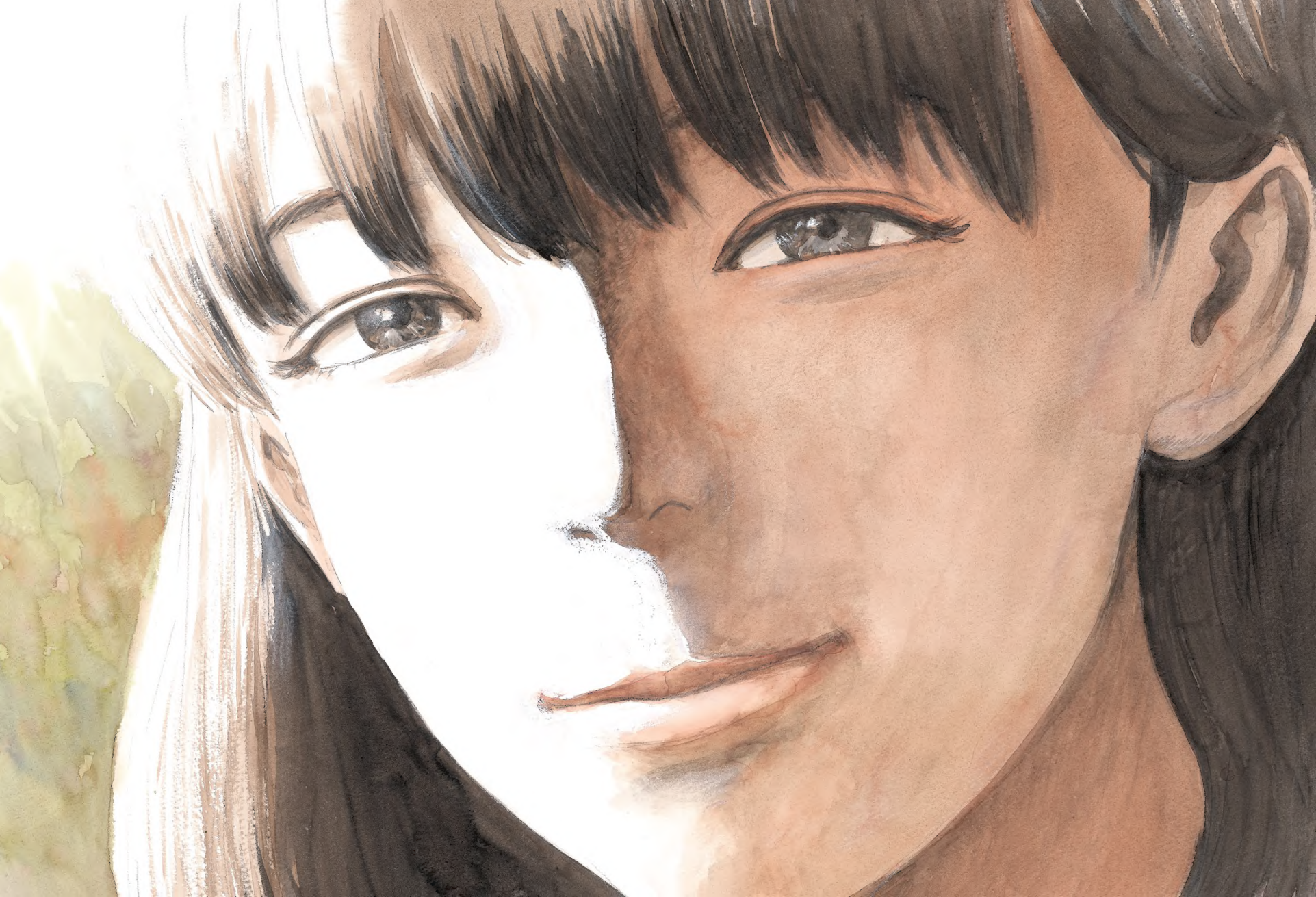
Poor kitty...

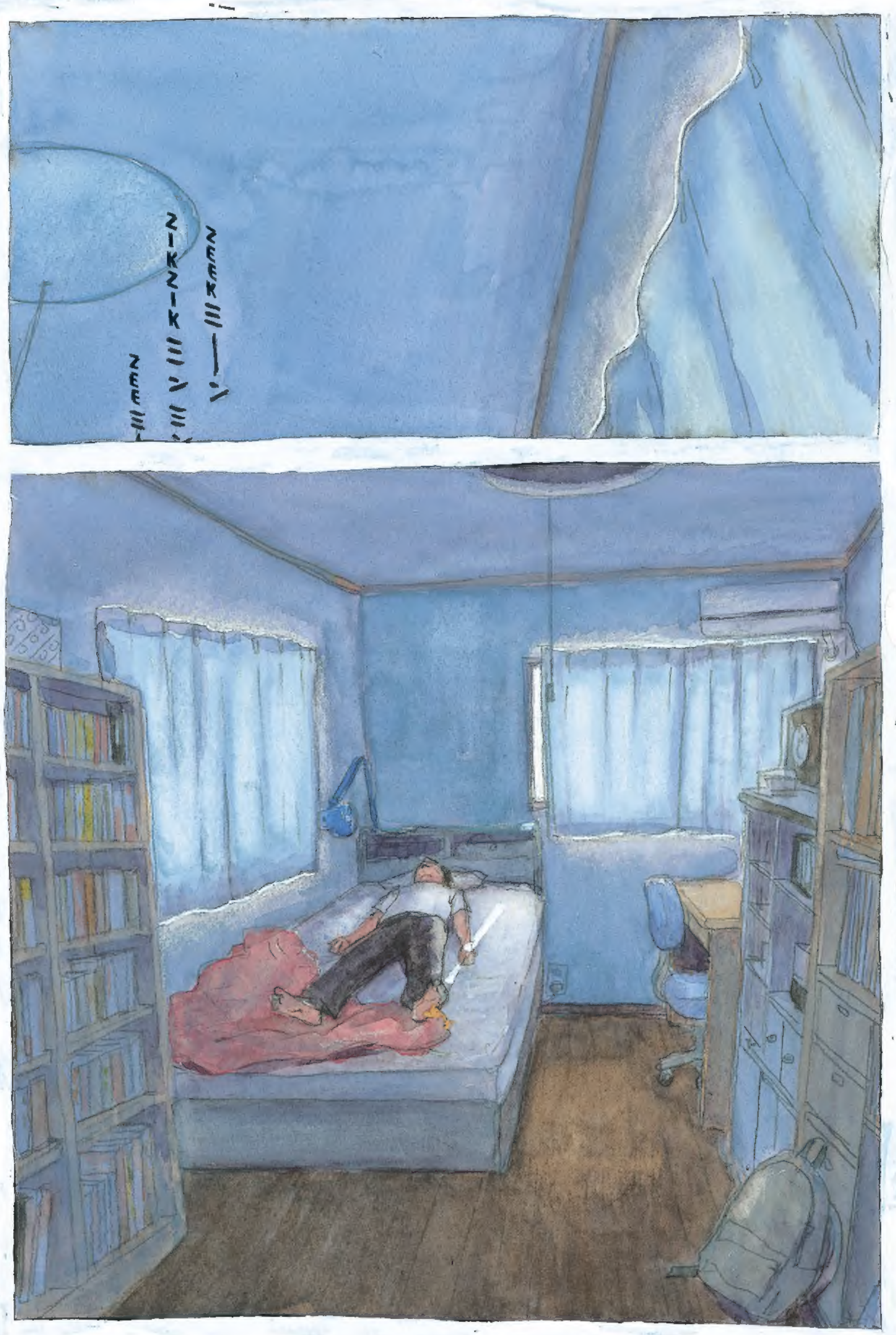
It's dead.

Why?

Why, Mommy?

Why is it dead?

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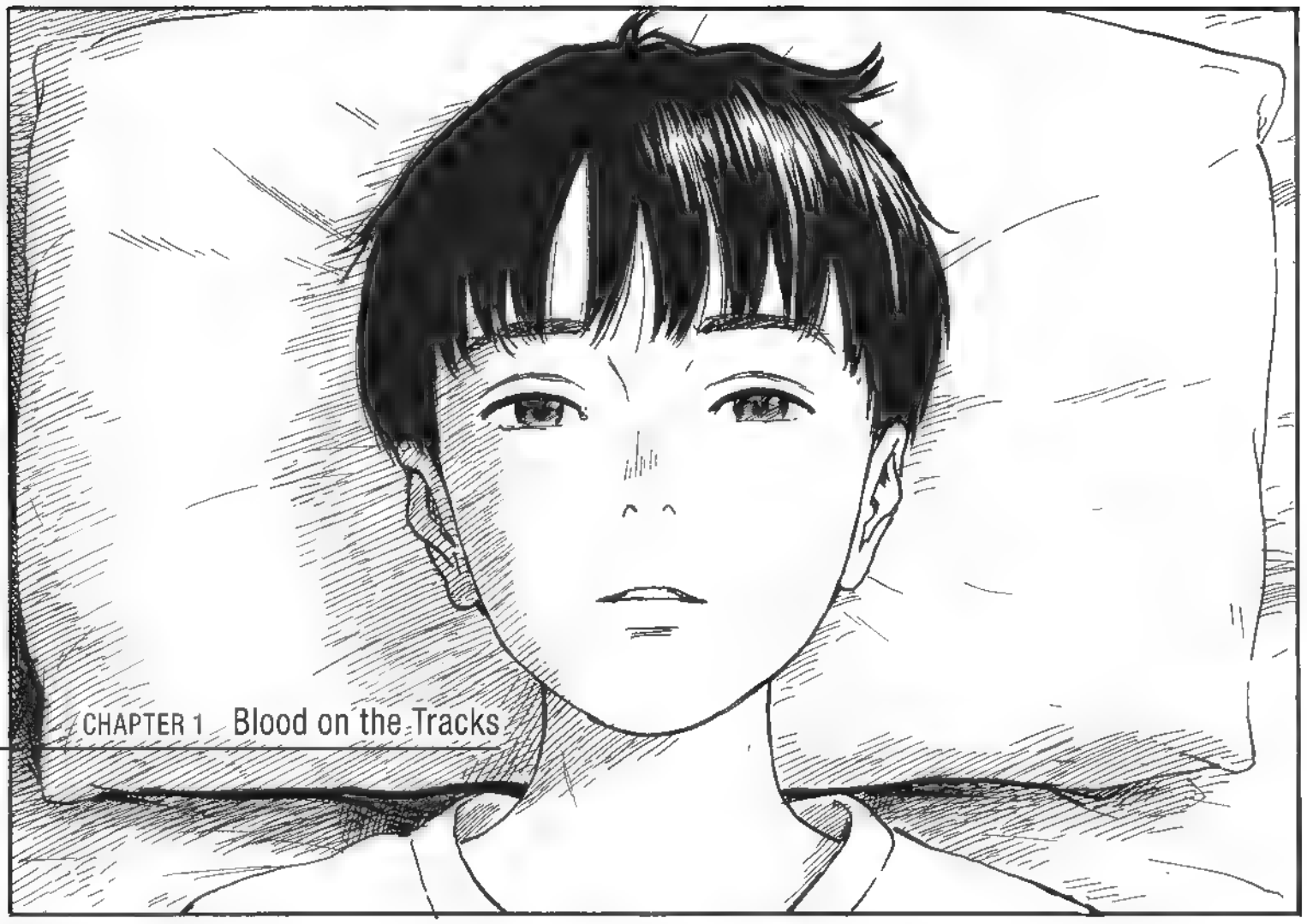
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MMM...
FWAP

SEI!

TUMP とた TUMP とた TUMP とた

TUP とた TUP とた TUP とた

SEI!

KA-CHIK!!!

YOU'RE STILL IN BED? IT'S TIME TO GET UP!

HNNN...

HEY!

IT'S SEVEN ALREADY.

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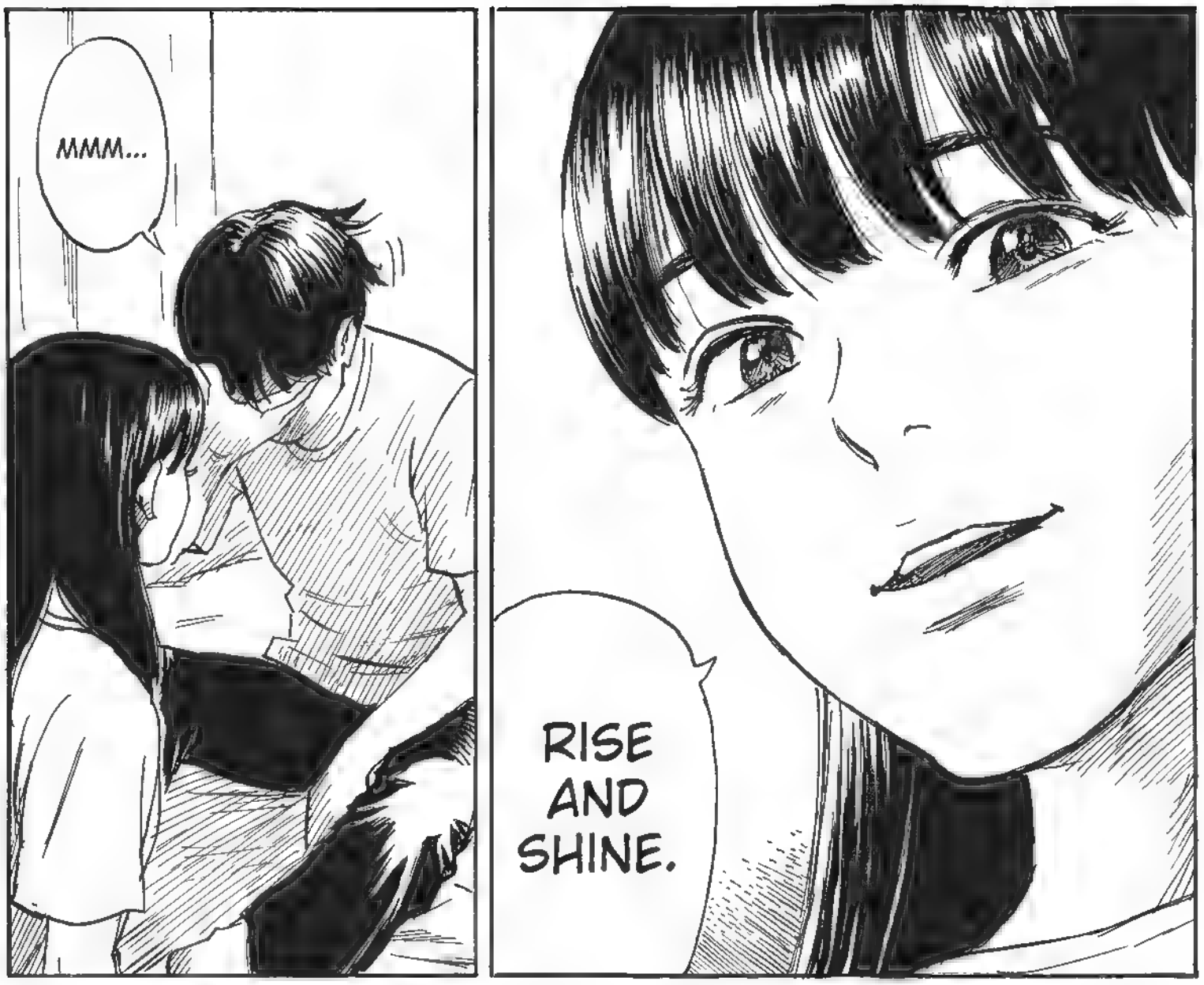
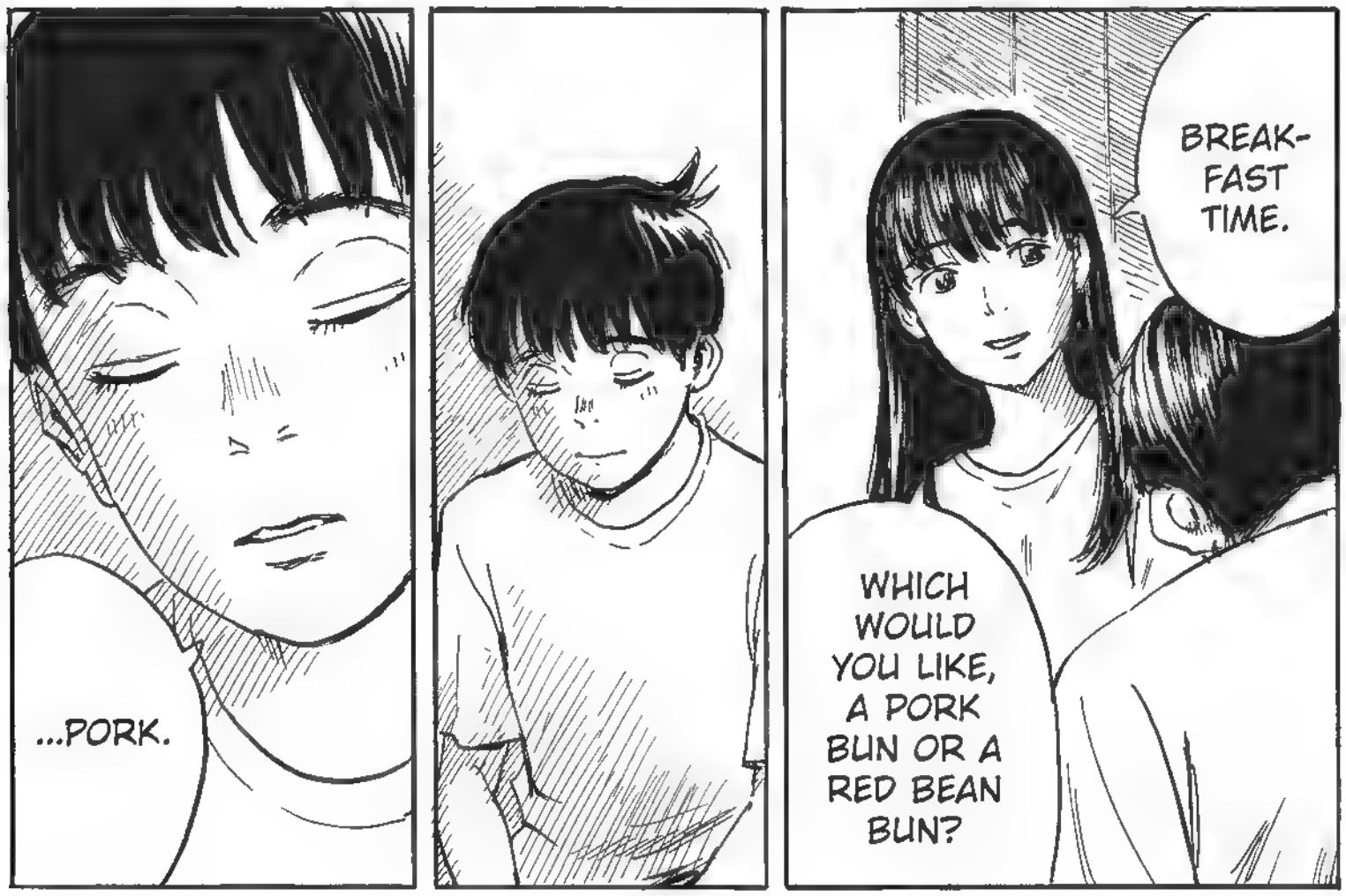
HNH!!

WHIRL


MMM...
RISE AND SHINE.


...PORK.
BREAK-FAST TIME.
WHICH WOULD YOU LIKE, A PORK BUN OR A RED BEAN BUN?

HURRY IT UUUP.

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とた TUP

'KAY.

SKRITCH ボリ

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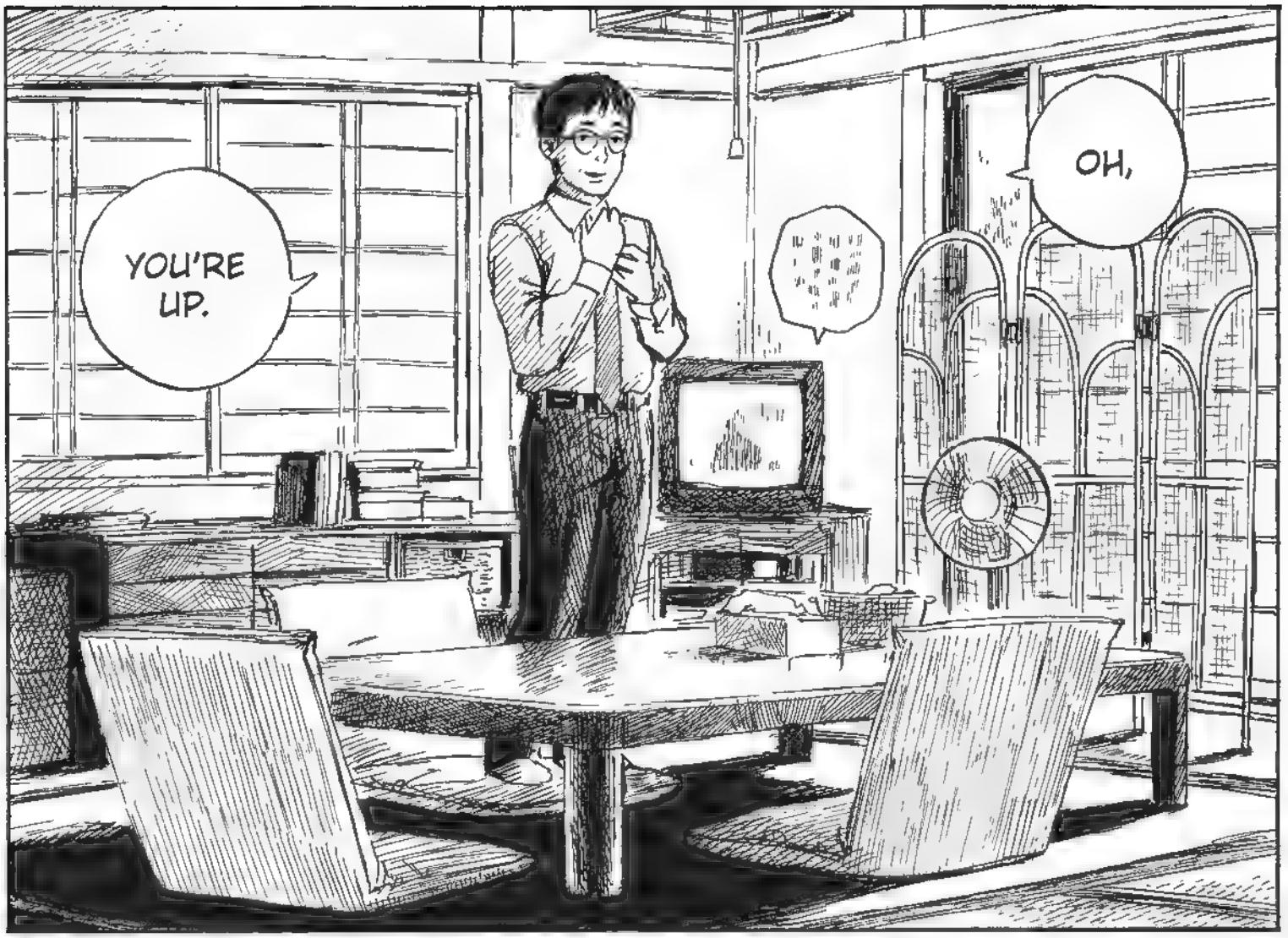
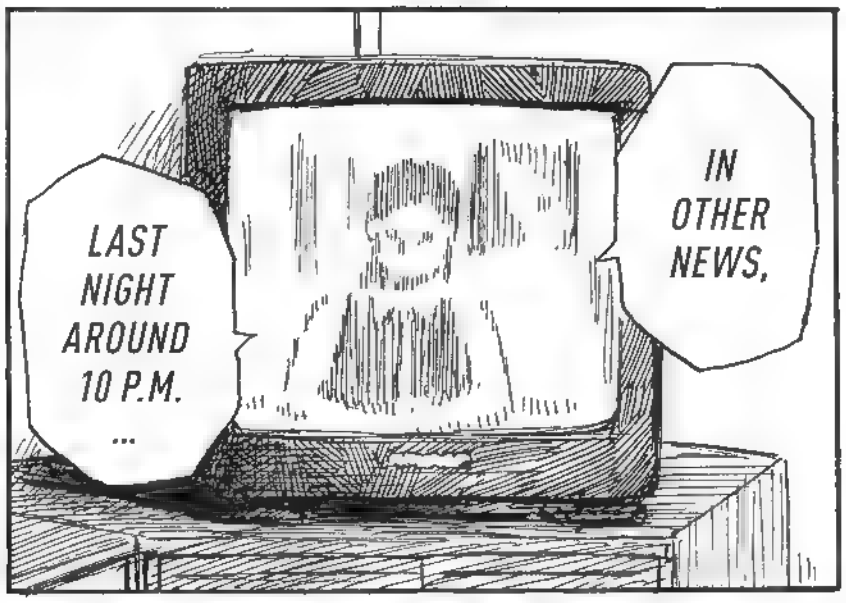

YOU'RE UP.
OH,


LAST NIGHT AROUND 10 P.M. ...
IN OTHER NEWS,

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MM-HMM.
THMP
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す。

CLINK
コトン

HERE YOU GO.

HOMP
はぐ

OKAY... WILL YOU BE OUT LATE?

I'VE GOT DRINKS AFTER WORK TONIGHT.

OH, SEIKO,

THERE'S NO REASON FOR ME TO STAY ALL NIGHT.

I JUST NEED TO SHOW MY FACE,

NEEKNIK
NIKNIK
NEE

NO, I SHOULD BE BACK BY NINE OR SO.

DON'T WORRY, I'LL BE BACK EARLY. I PROMISE.

OKAY, JUST DON'T GET CARRIED AWAY.

MNCH モグ MNCH モグ

THE WEATHER.

OH,

SOUTHERN GUNMA PREFECTURE HAS A PROJECTED HIGH OF...

...HIGH-PRESSURE SYSTEM IS EXPECTED TO BRING EXTREMELY HIGH TEMPERATURES THROUGHOUT THE DAY.

...MM,

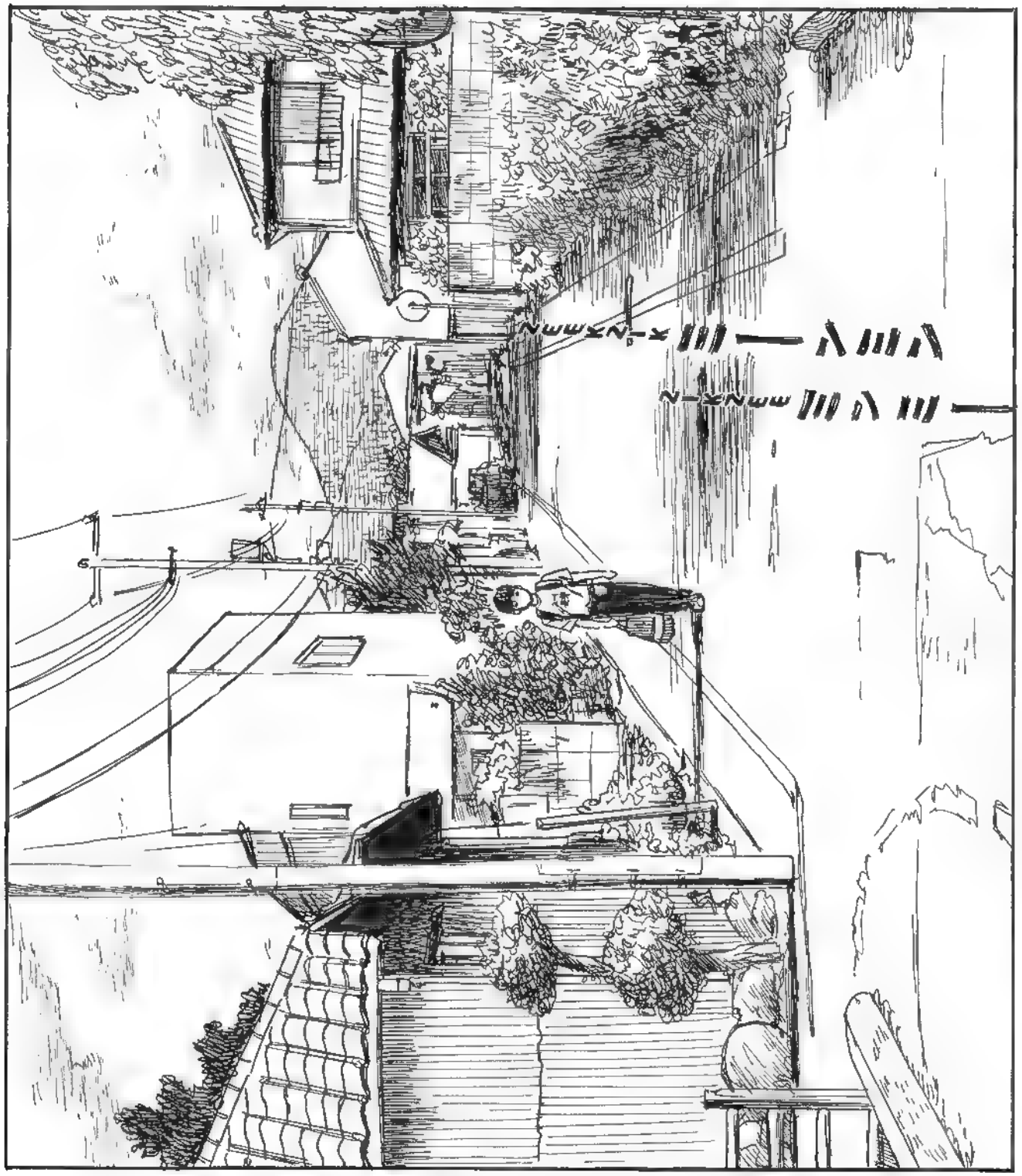
MM-HMM.

IT'S GOING TO BE HOT AGAIN TODAY.

THE NAME TAG ON YOUR SWIMSUIT WAS FADING, SO I WENT OVER IT AGAIN, OKAY?

OH,

...MM-HMM.



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2-1
OSABE
YO-!
H...
HEY, THAT HURT!

MORNIN', OSABE!

'SUP, DUDE.

WHAT'S UP.

2-1 OSABE

2-1 SAKAI

2-1 HIRUMA

NI-KNEE

NEEKNI-

WHAT'S FIRST PERIOD TODAY?

JAPA-NESE, ISN'T IT?

'SPOSED TO BE WICKED HOT TODAY.

DUDE.

DUH.

2-1 SAKAI

YEAH, DUDE.

YOU GOT YOUR SUITS ON UNDER THERE?

WE'RE SWIM-MING TODAY, RIGHT?

HEY...

QUIT IT!

ZHP

WHAT ABOUT YOU, OSABE ?

2-1 OSABE

I SAID CUT IT OUT!!

OOO-SABEEE.

OSABEEE.

City South ddle School

キーンコーン カーンコーン

DING DONG DANG DONG

MURMUR
MURMUR
MURMUR
MURMUR
BWA HA HA HA!
WHOA!
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MURMUR
YO, MAN.
2-1 OSABE
2-1 OGURA
WASSUP.
FUKUSHI

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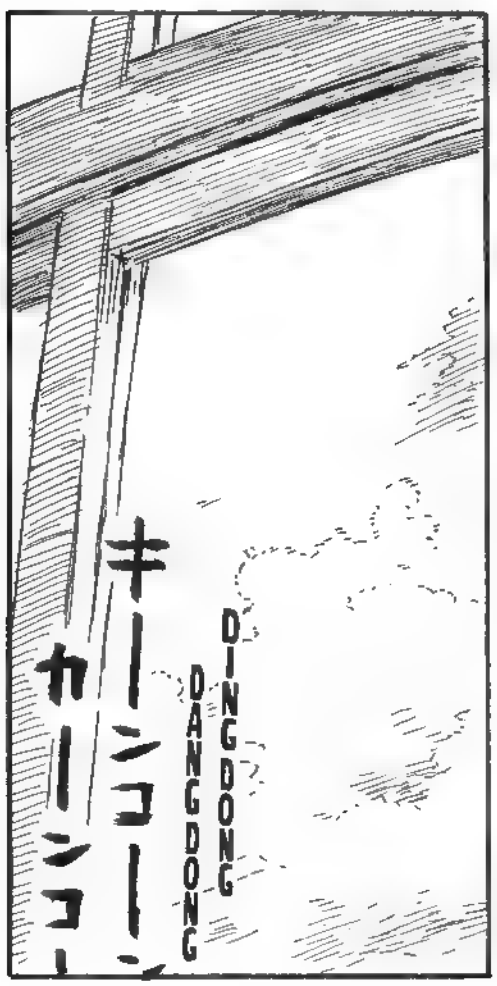
FUKUSHI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DING DONG
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GLANCE

2-1
OSABE

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FWAP
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CAN'T WAIT TO GET IN!
2-1 SHODA
WATER'S LOOKIN' WARM TODAY.
NIKNIKNEE
NIKNIKNEE
NIKNIKNEE
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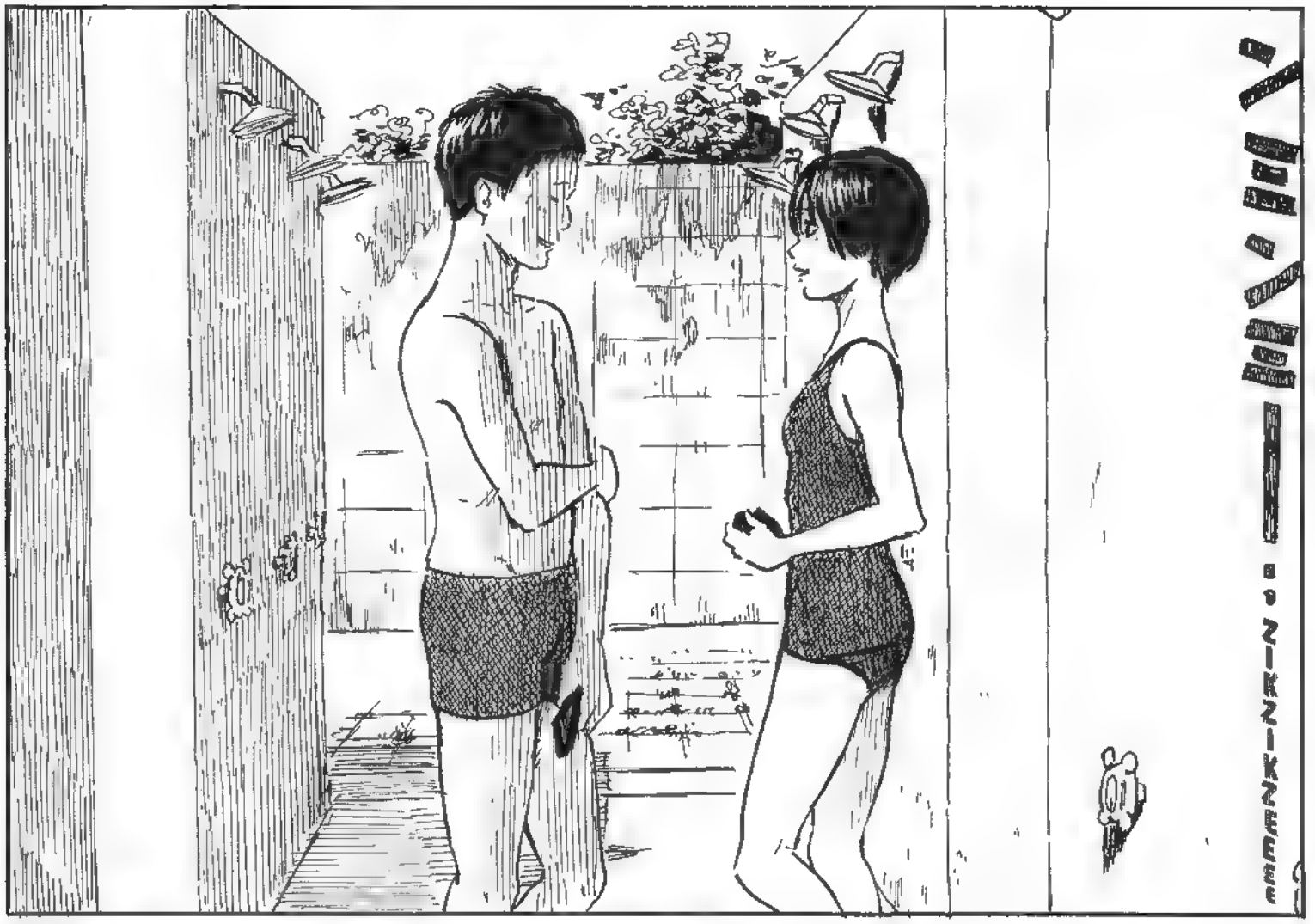
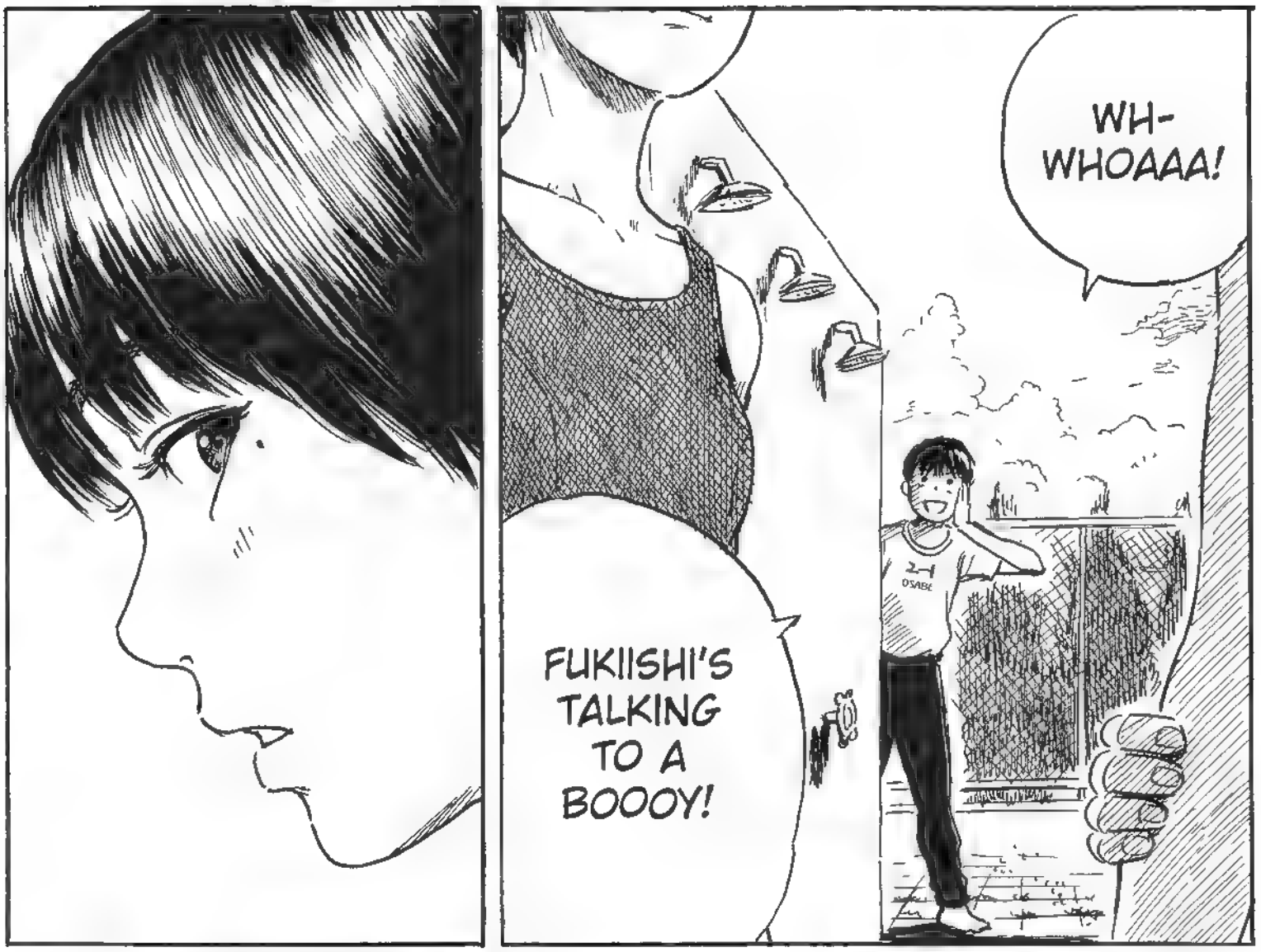
NIKNIKNEE


NIKNIKNEEEE


WH-
WHOAAA!
FUKIISHI'S
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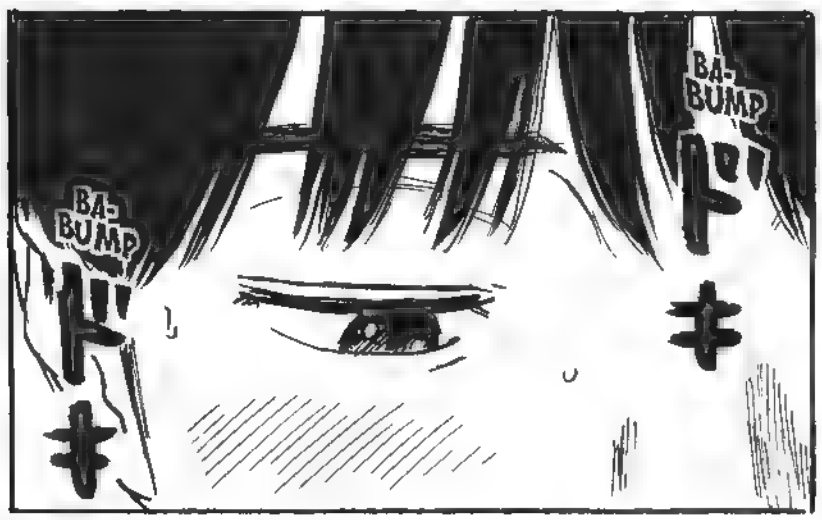
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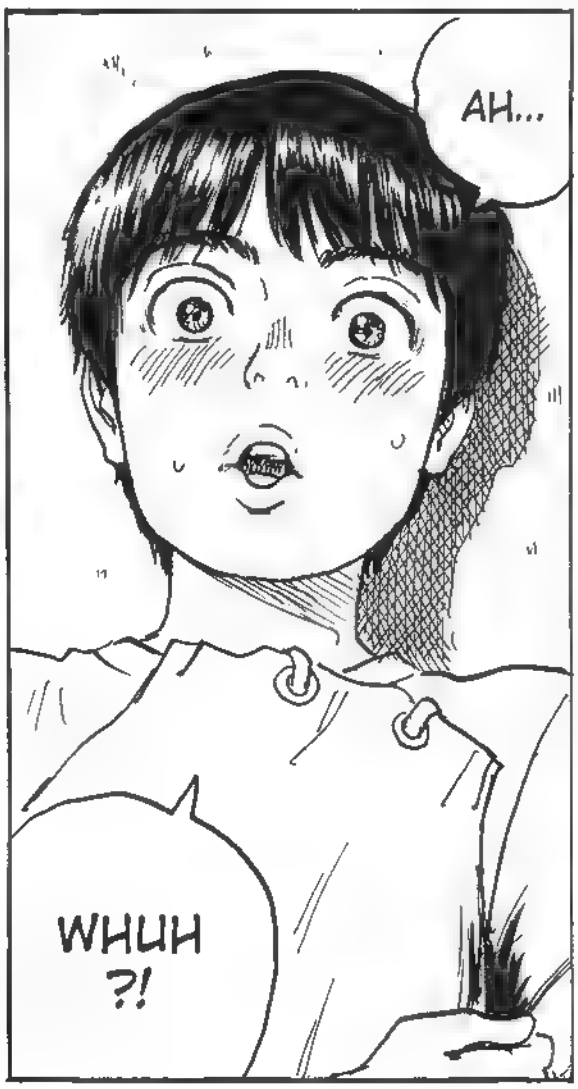
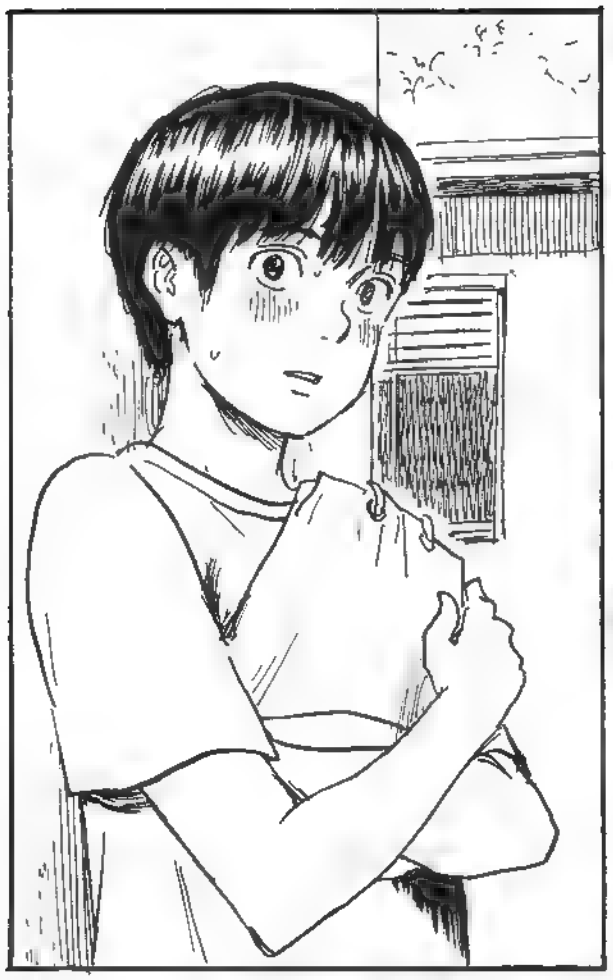
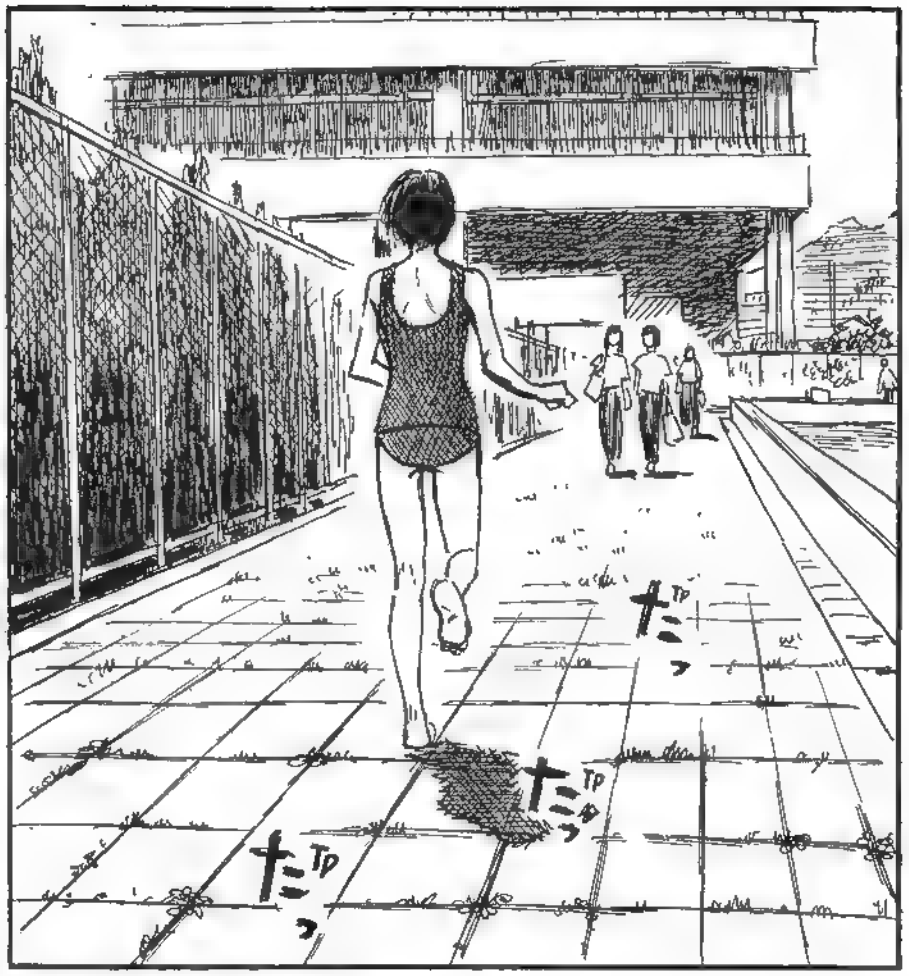
ZIP

BOO!

AH HA HA,
OSABE, YOU DORK!


AH...
WHUH ?!

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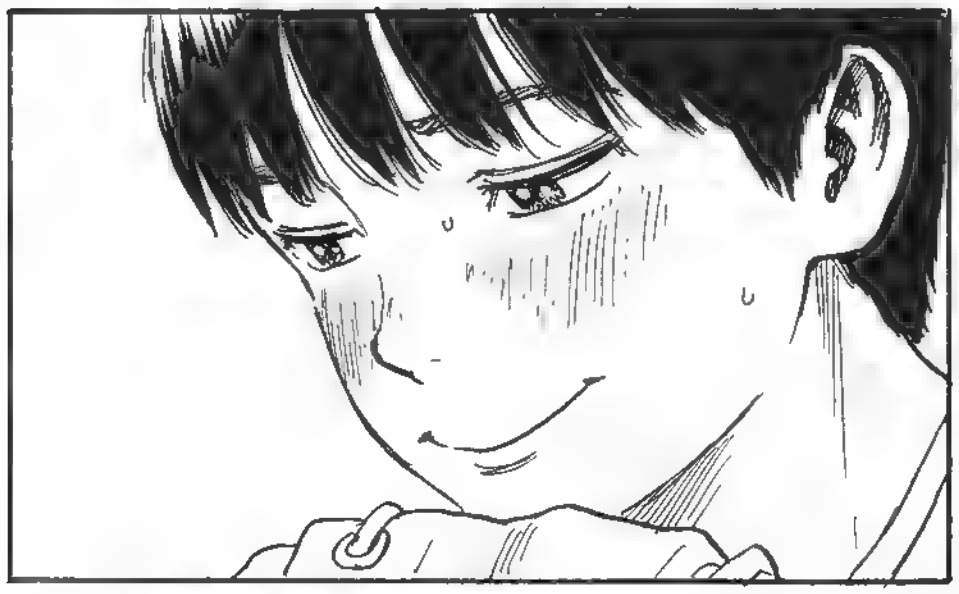

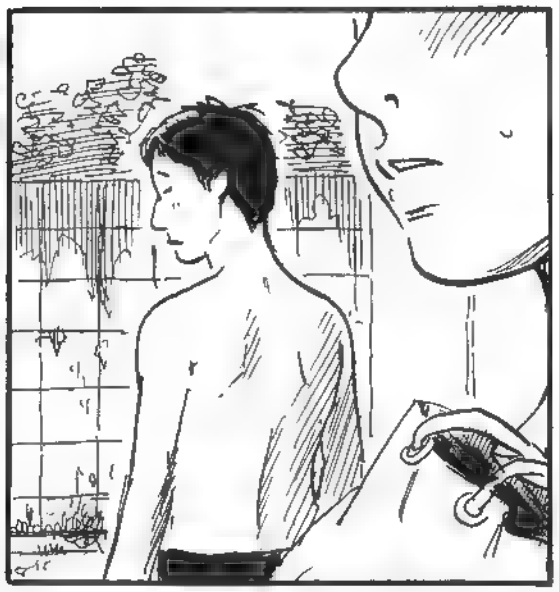

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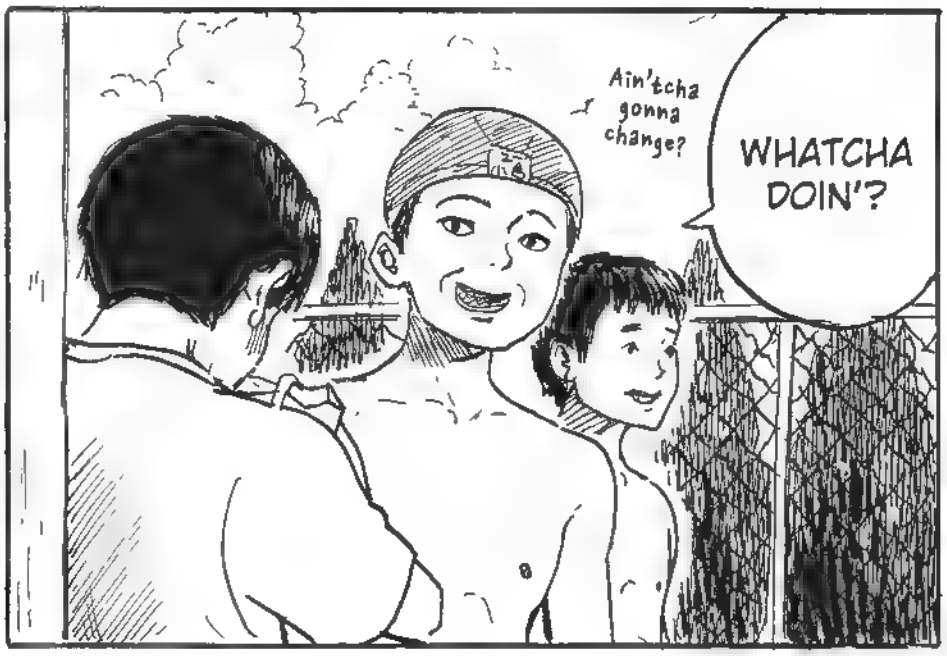

Ain'tcha gonna change?
WHATCHA DOIN'?

OH!

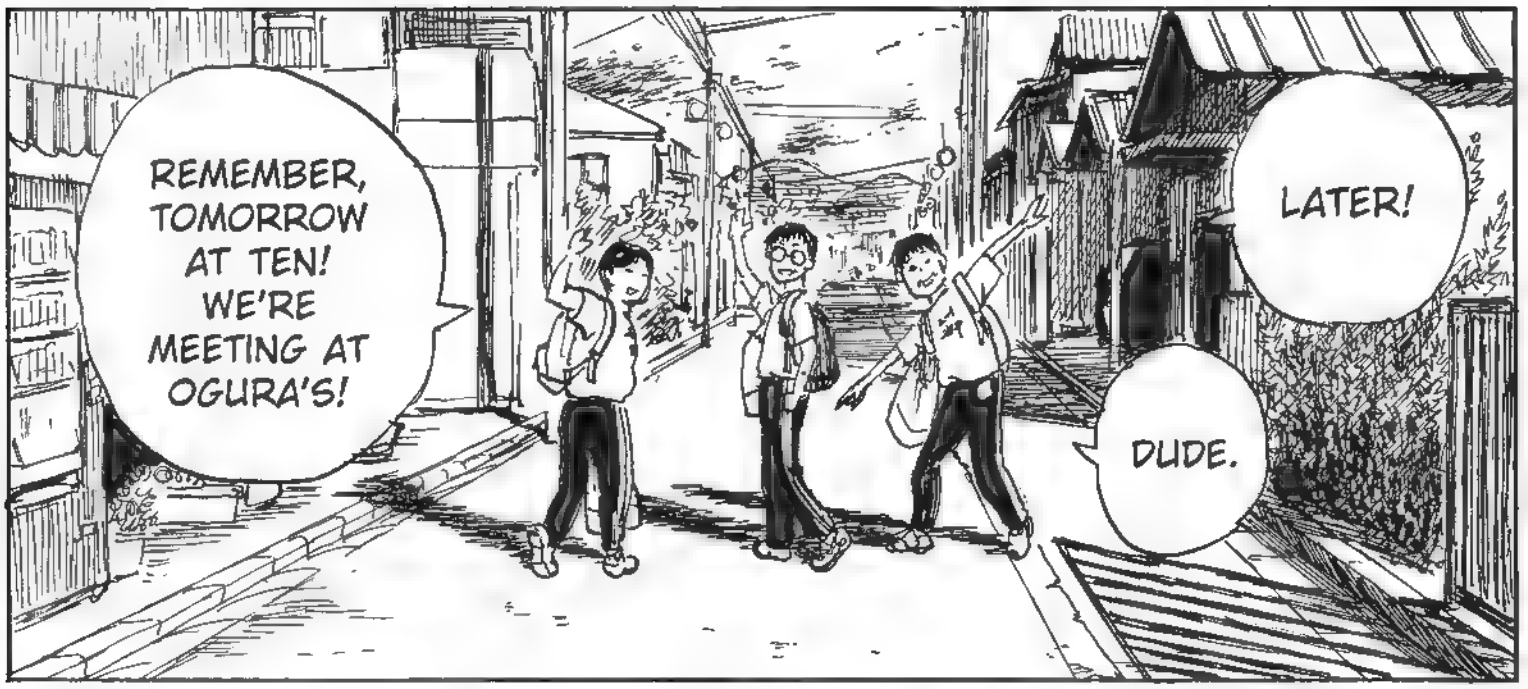
HELL YEAH!

HEY, WE'RE ALL GONNA GO GET RAMEN TOMORROW. YOU IN?

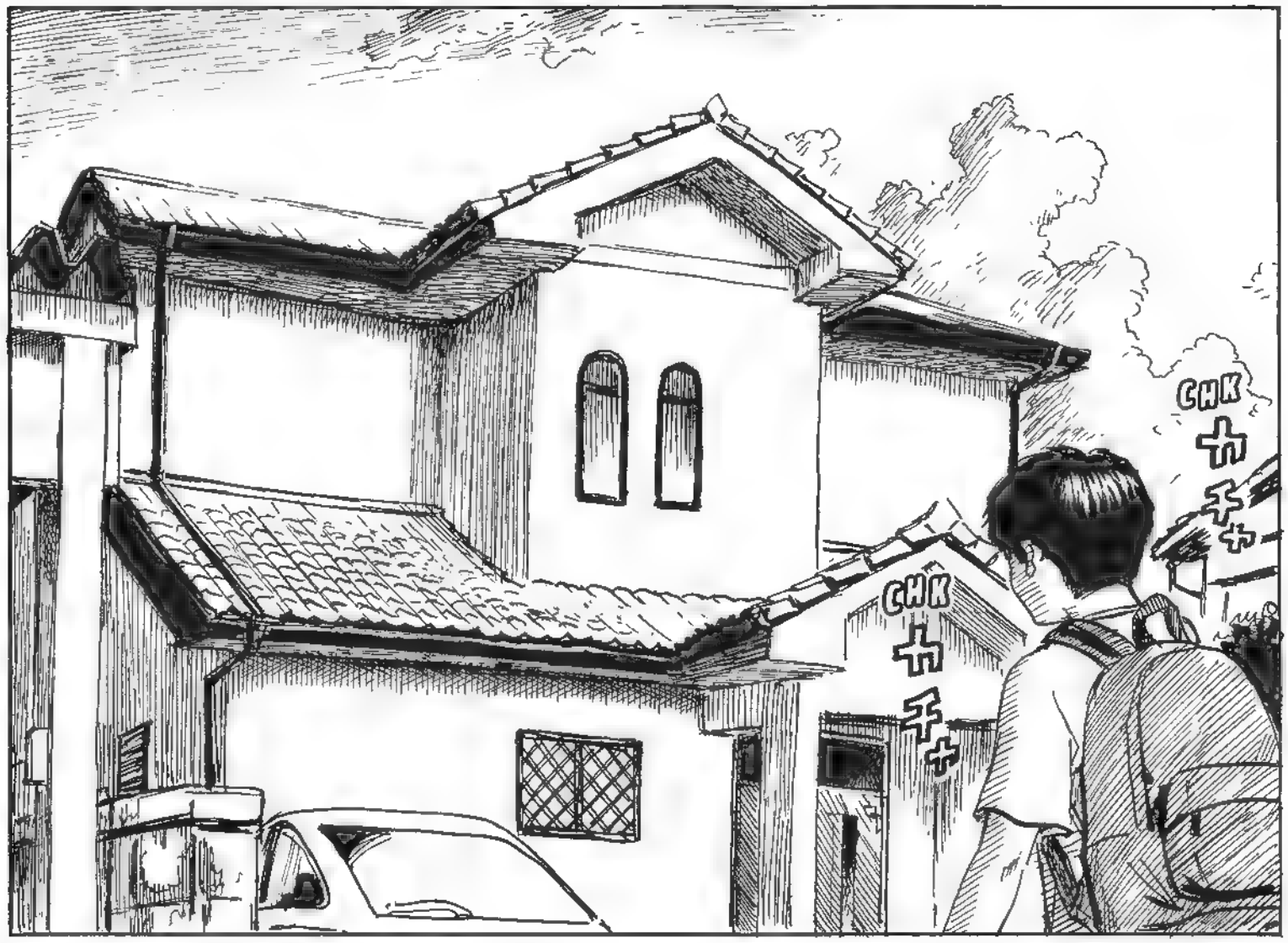
THE TONKOTSU AT SUDAREYA!

SUDA-REYA'S THE BOMB!

GONNA LOAD IT UP WITH PICKLED GINGER AGAIN!


REMEMBER, TOMORROW AT TEN! WE'RE MEETING AT OGURA'S!
LATER!
DUDE.

SURE!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CHK

KA-CHIK
カチャ

SHK
シャッ

SHK
シャッ

KREE

I'M HOME!

2-1
OSABE

TAP
トン

HI, SWEETIE.

SEI.

CAN I HAVE THIS?

MAN, I'M SO HUNGRY.

2-1 OSABE

TOMORROW,

MM?

YOU DON'T HAVE PLANS OR ANYTHING, DO YOU ...?

YOUR AUNTIE AND SHIGE ARE COMING OVER AGAIN.

...IT'S REALLY UP TO YOU.

SO?

IT'S FINE, I CAN CANCEL.

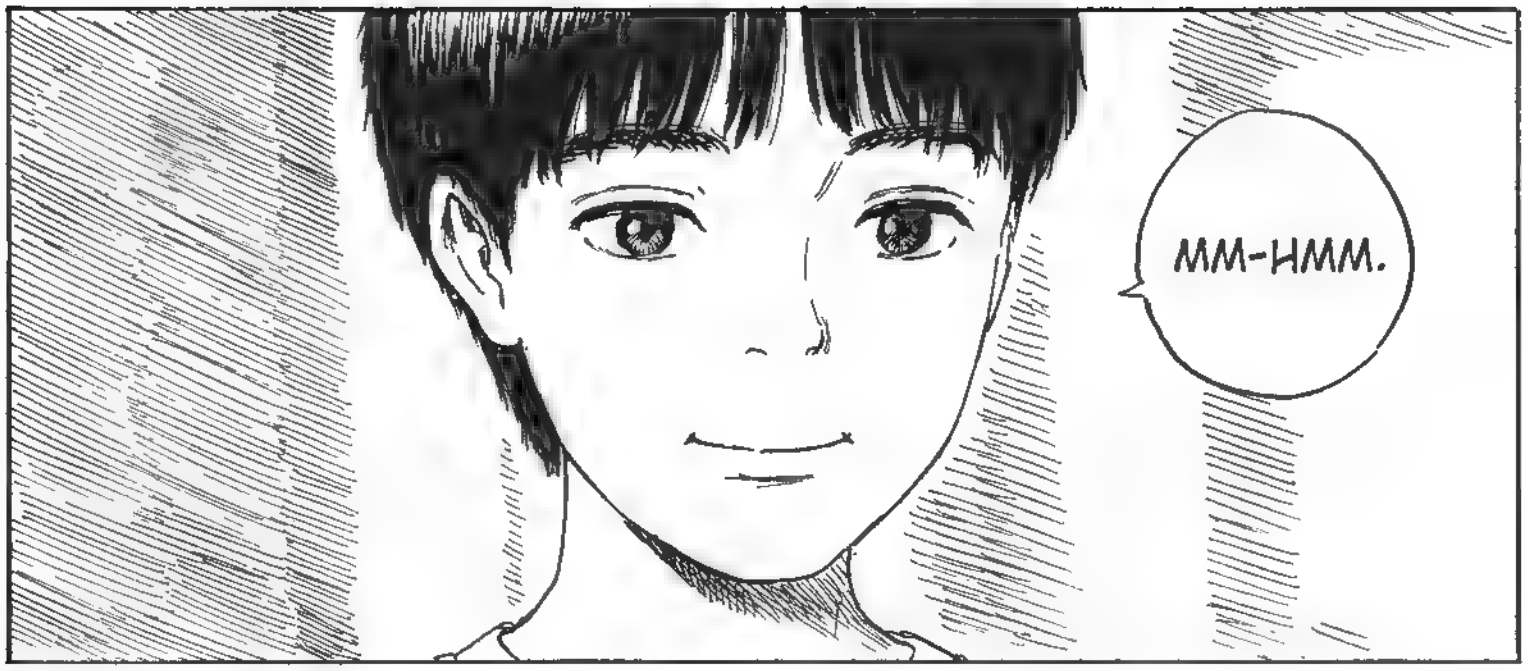
...WELL, WE WERE ...

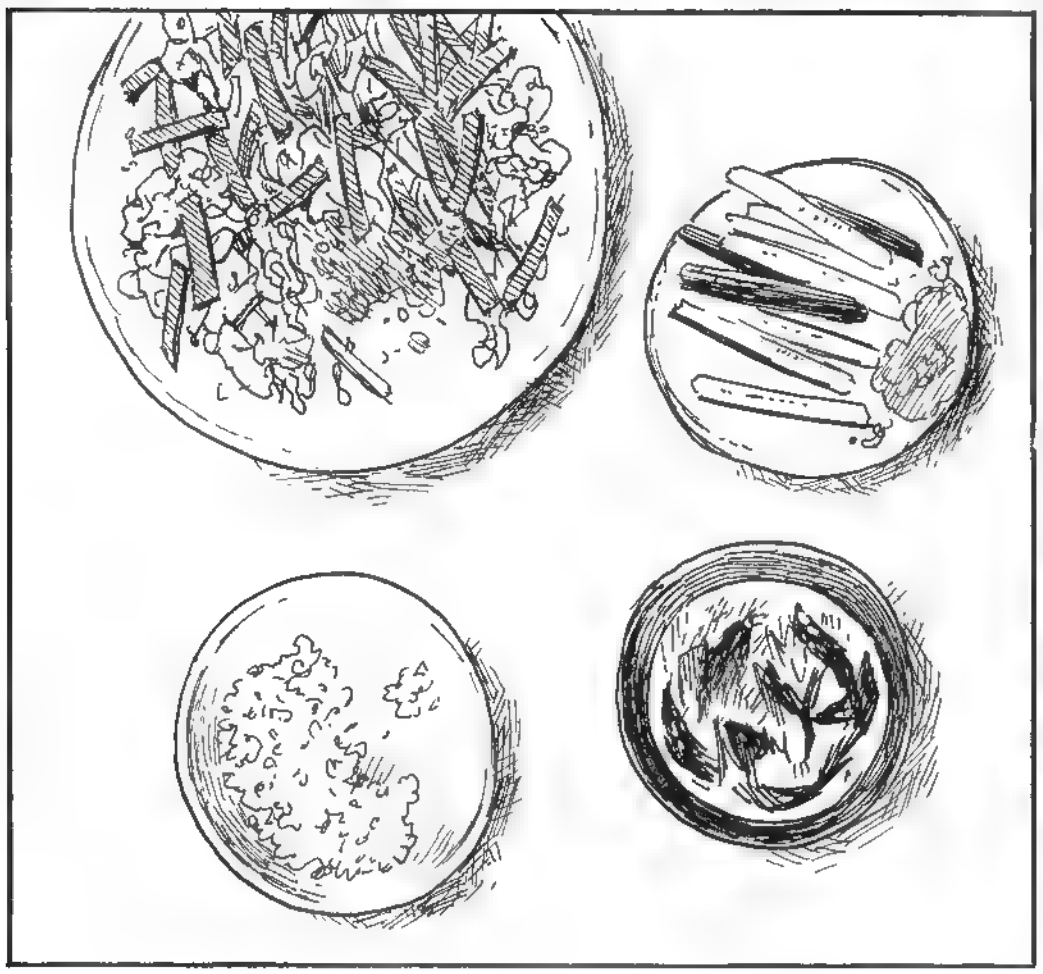
AND THANKS.

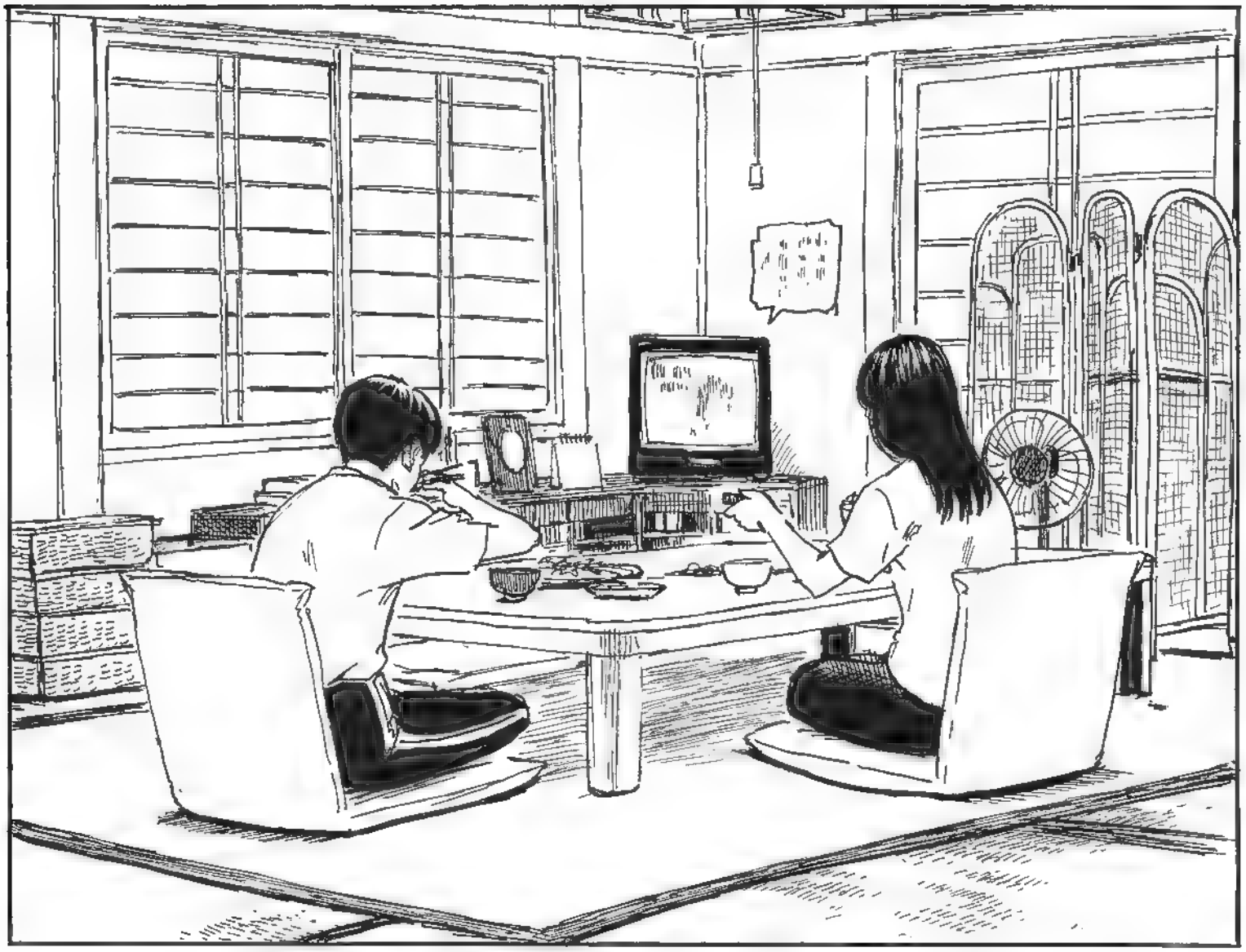
... SORRY.

IT'S FINE.

YEAH.


MM-HMM.





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GULP ゴクッ

BIK ポチ

NOTHING MUCH ON TV, HUH.

BIK ポチ

OH,

THAT REMINDS ME...

LAST NIGHT,

I HAD THIS DREAM.

ABOUT WHAT?

LYING BY THE SIDE OF THE ROAD.

I WAS WITH YOU... AND WE SAW A CAT,

IT WAS BACK WHEN I WAS LITTLE.

AND THAT WAS IT.

IT WAS DEAD...

WHEN I TOUCHED IT... IT WAS COLD.

GRUNCH

ポリポリ。

IT FELT

LIKE IT MIGHT'VE BEEN REAL...

SEI,
YOU REMEMBER THAT?!

WOWWW! I CAN'T BELIEVE YOU REMEMBER!

YOU WERE ONLY THREE YEARS OLD WHEN THAT HAPPENED!

I DIDN'T REMEMBER UNTIL I HAD THE DREAM...

I MEAN,

IT REALLY DID HAPPEN? I KNEW IT!

THEN...

AND YOU SAID, "IT'S A KITTY!" AND RAN OVER TO IT...

THERE WAS A CAT, LYING ON ITS SIDE.

IT SURE DID!

YOU SAID IT WAS COLD, AND I TOLD YOU IT WAS DEAD...

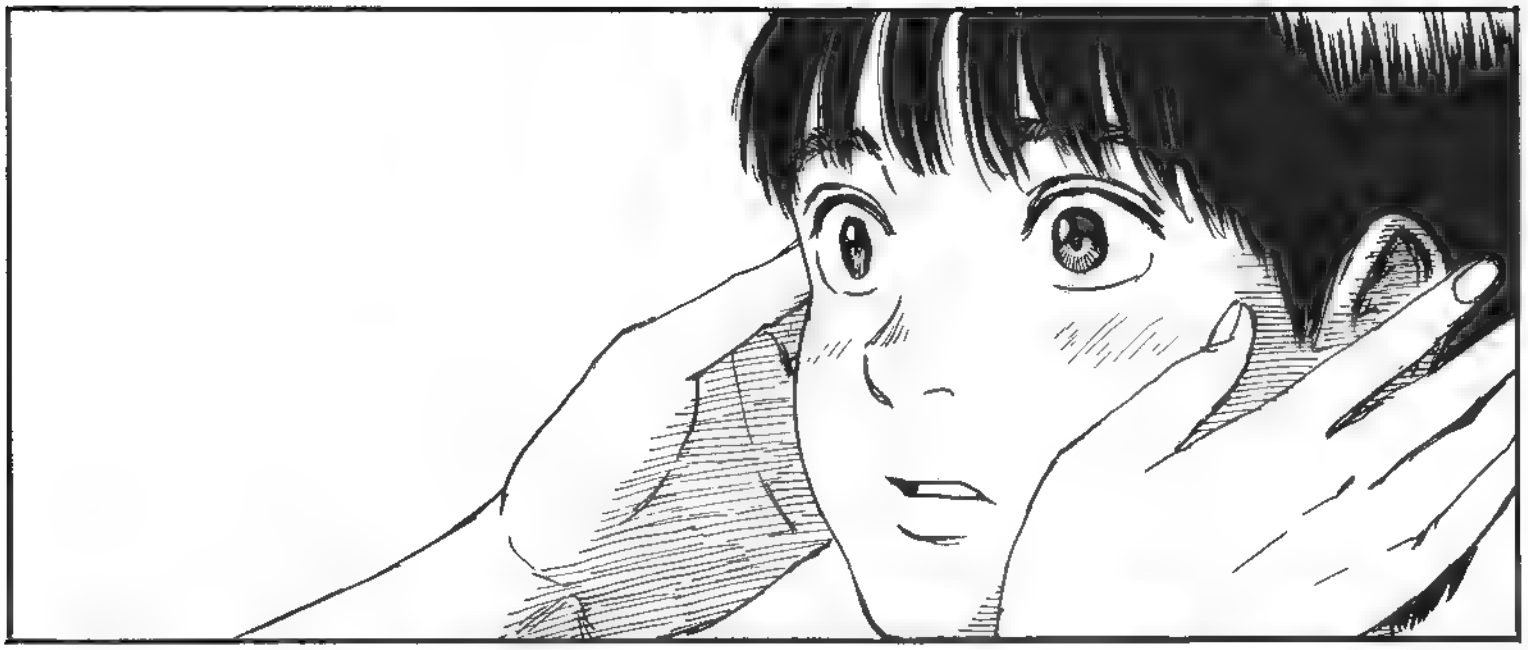
THE TWO OF US PET IT.

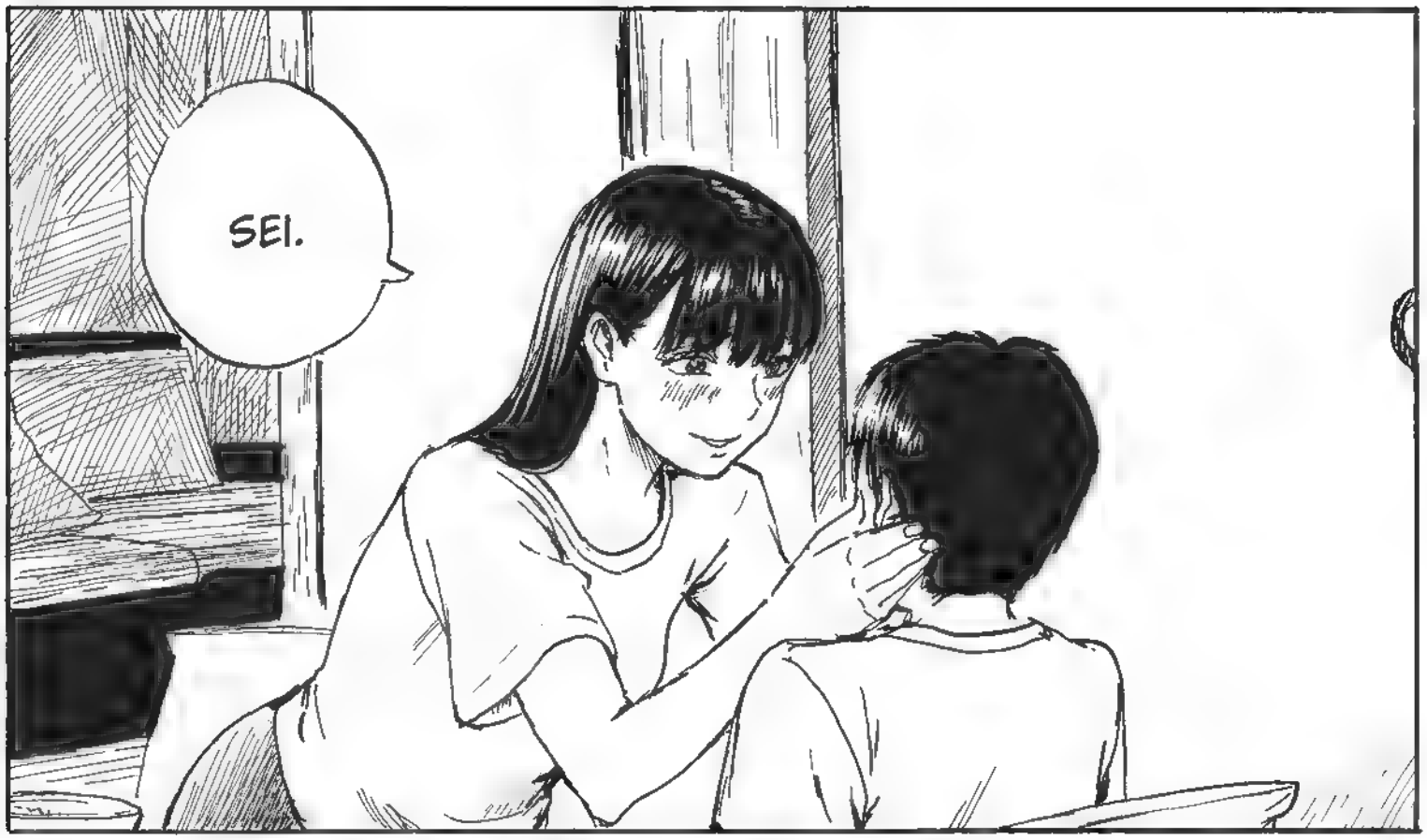
THAT'S AMAZING.

YOU REALLY DO REMEMBER ...

TEN YEARS SINCE THEN?

IT'S BEEN, WHAT,

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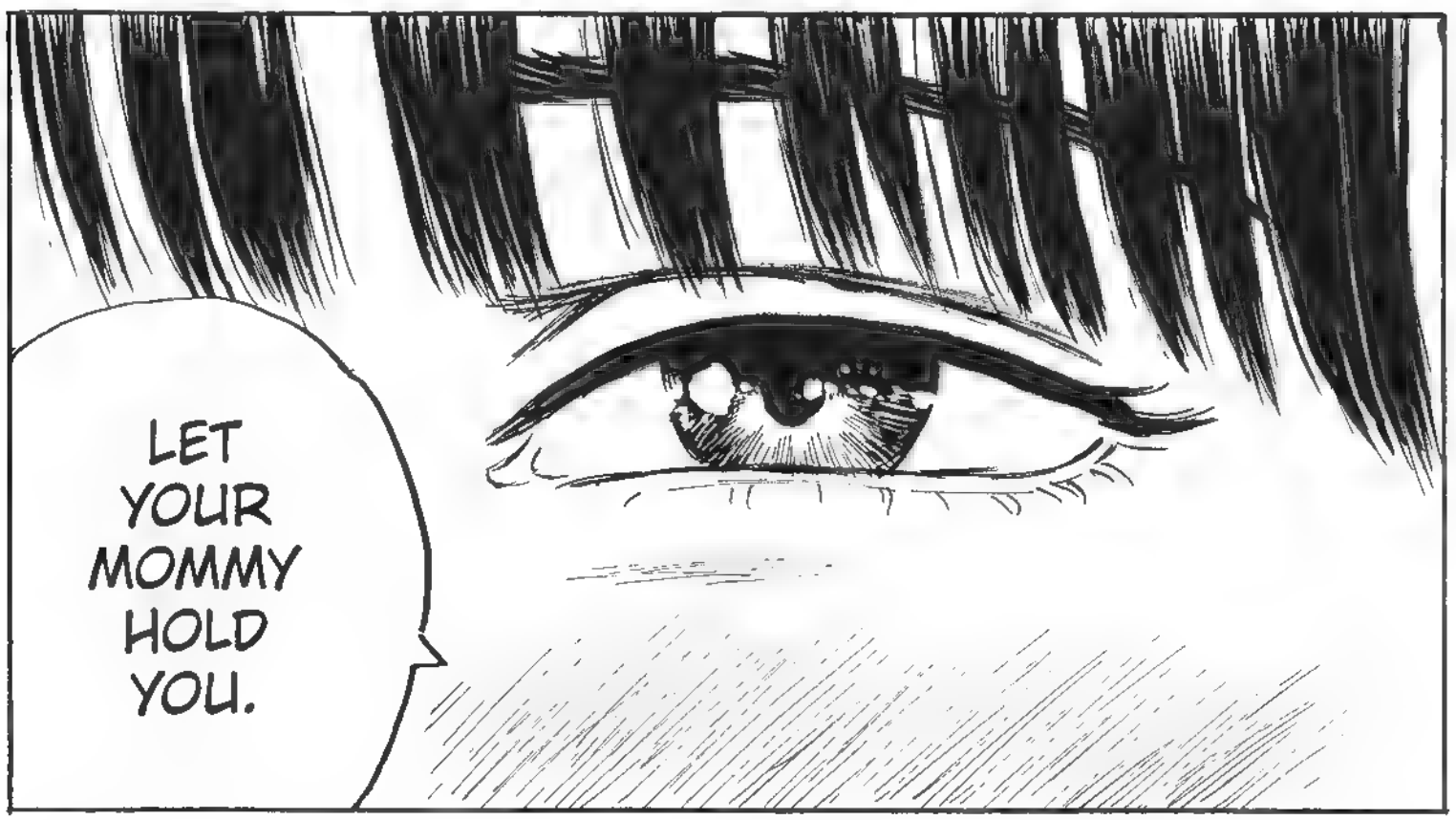

LET YOUR MOMMY HOLD YOU.

THANKS, I'M DONE!

QUIT IT, IT'S EMBARRASSING!

WHIP

WHA... NO!

BUT,

OSABE

TUP TUP

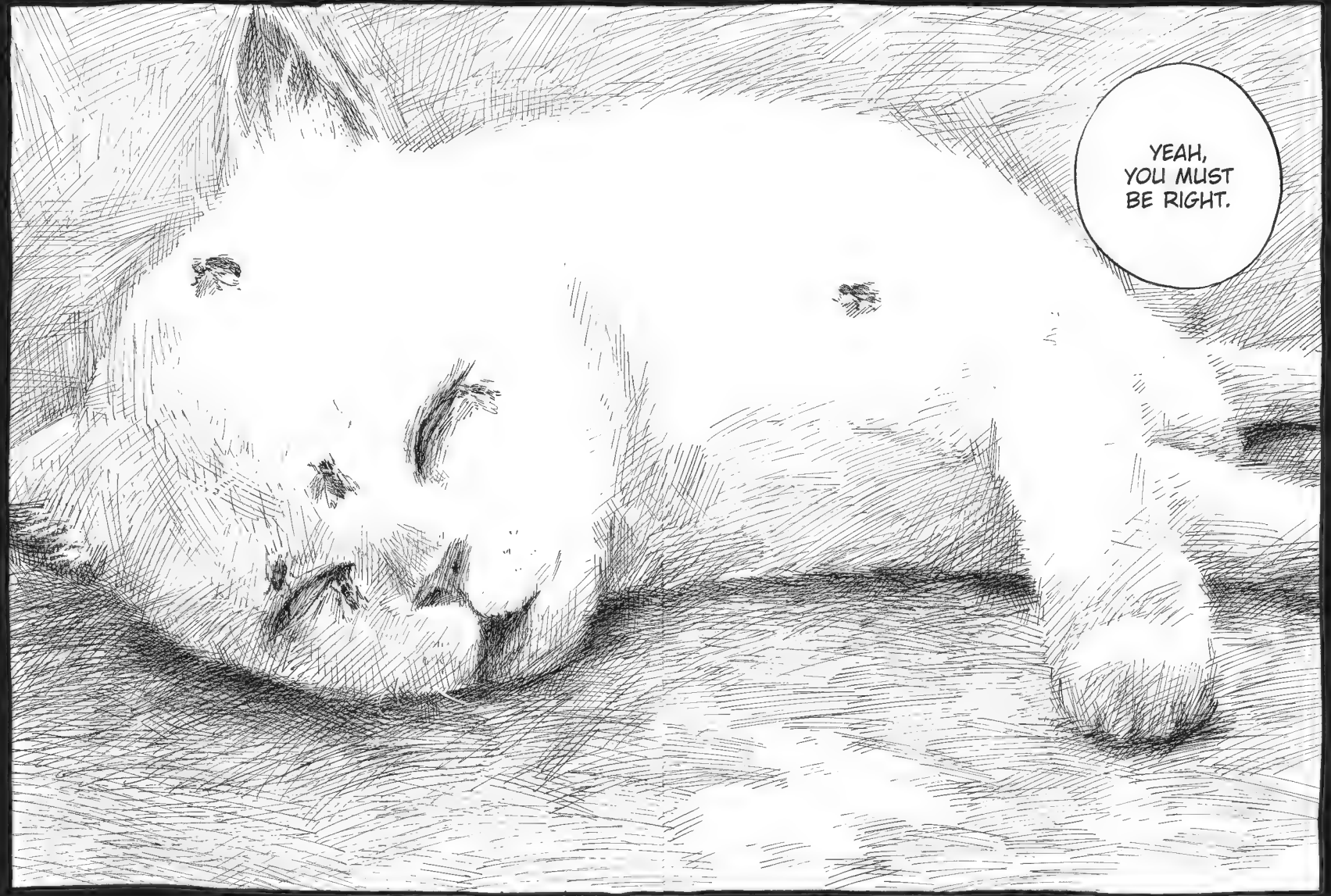
HOW DO YOU THINK THAT CAT DIED?

SEI...

GOT HIT BY A CAR OR SOME-THING?

I DUNNO ...

HMM...


YEAH,
YOU MUST
BE RIGHT.

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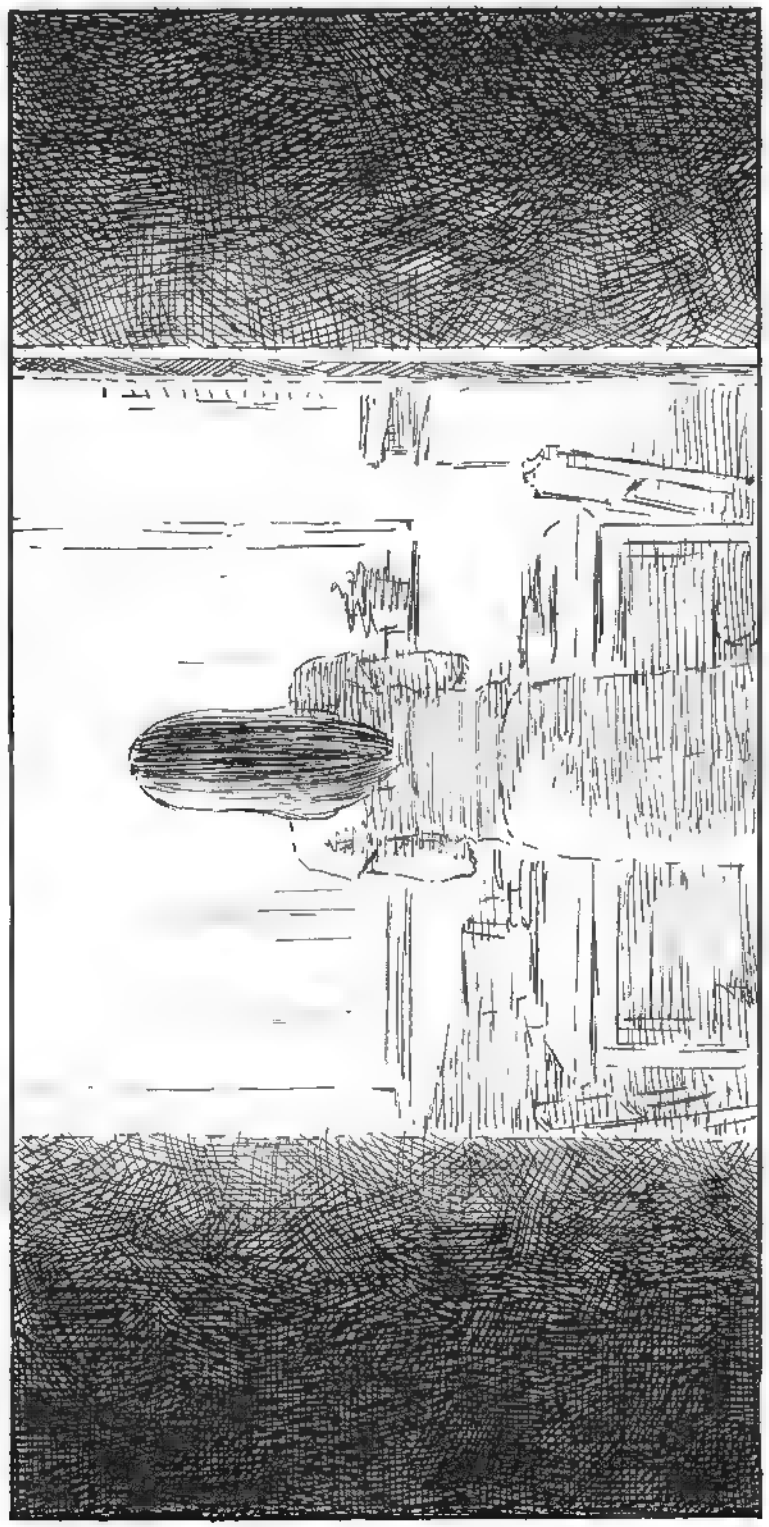
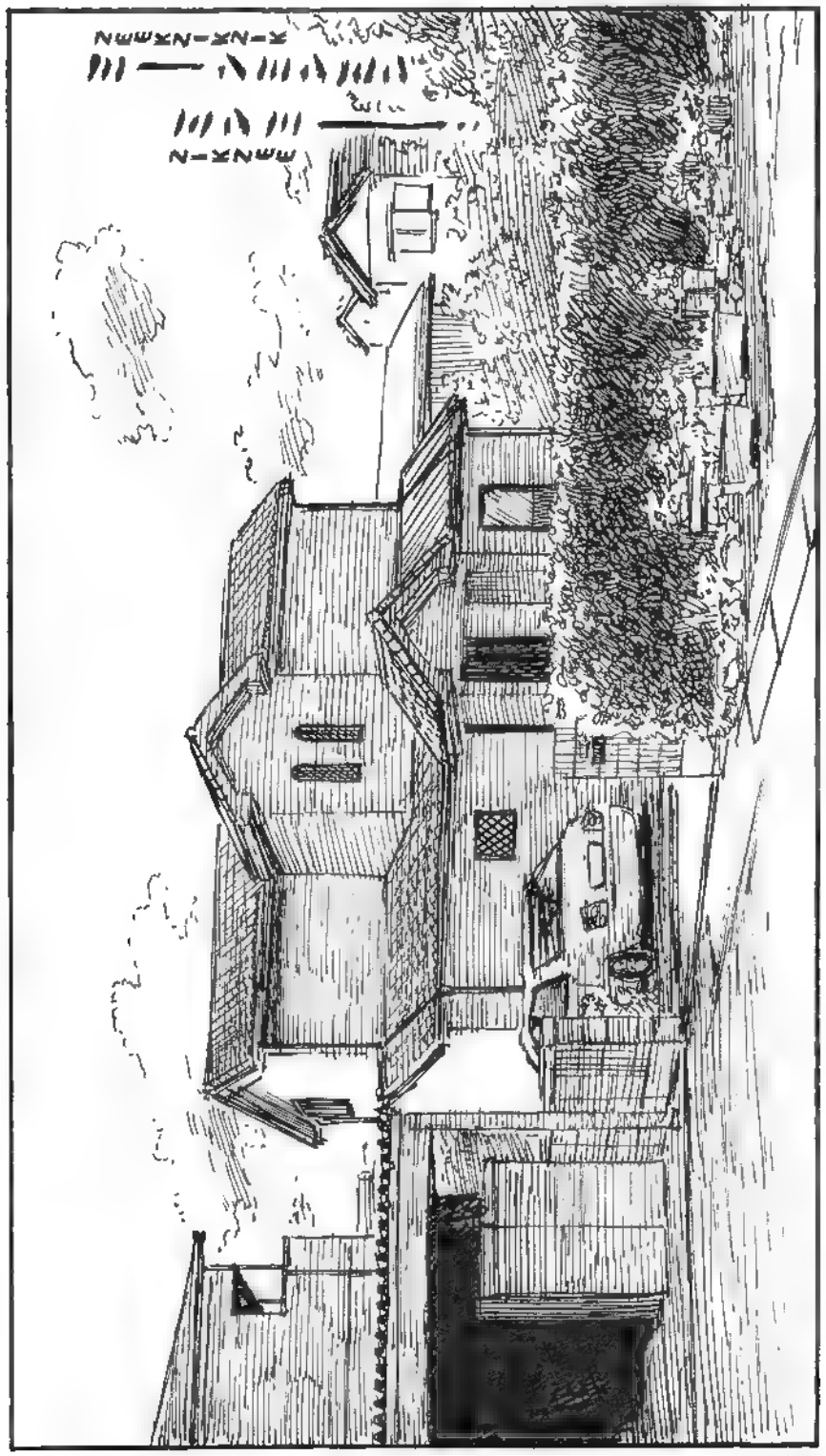
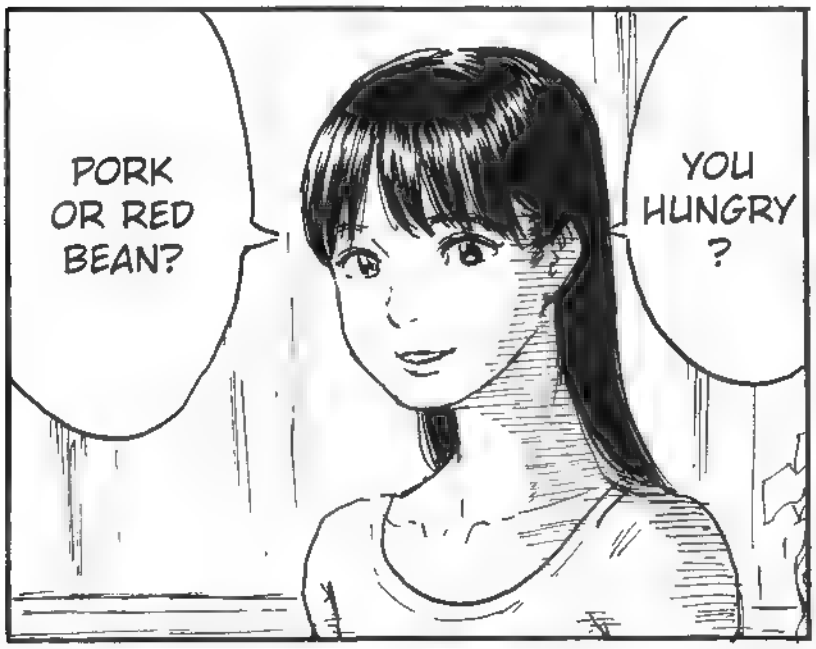
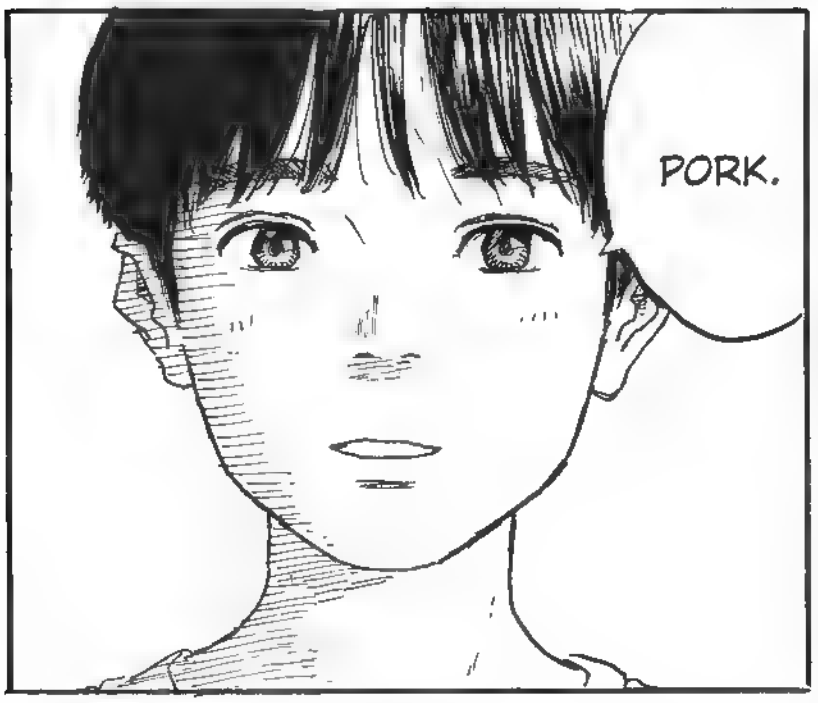




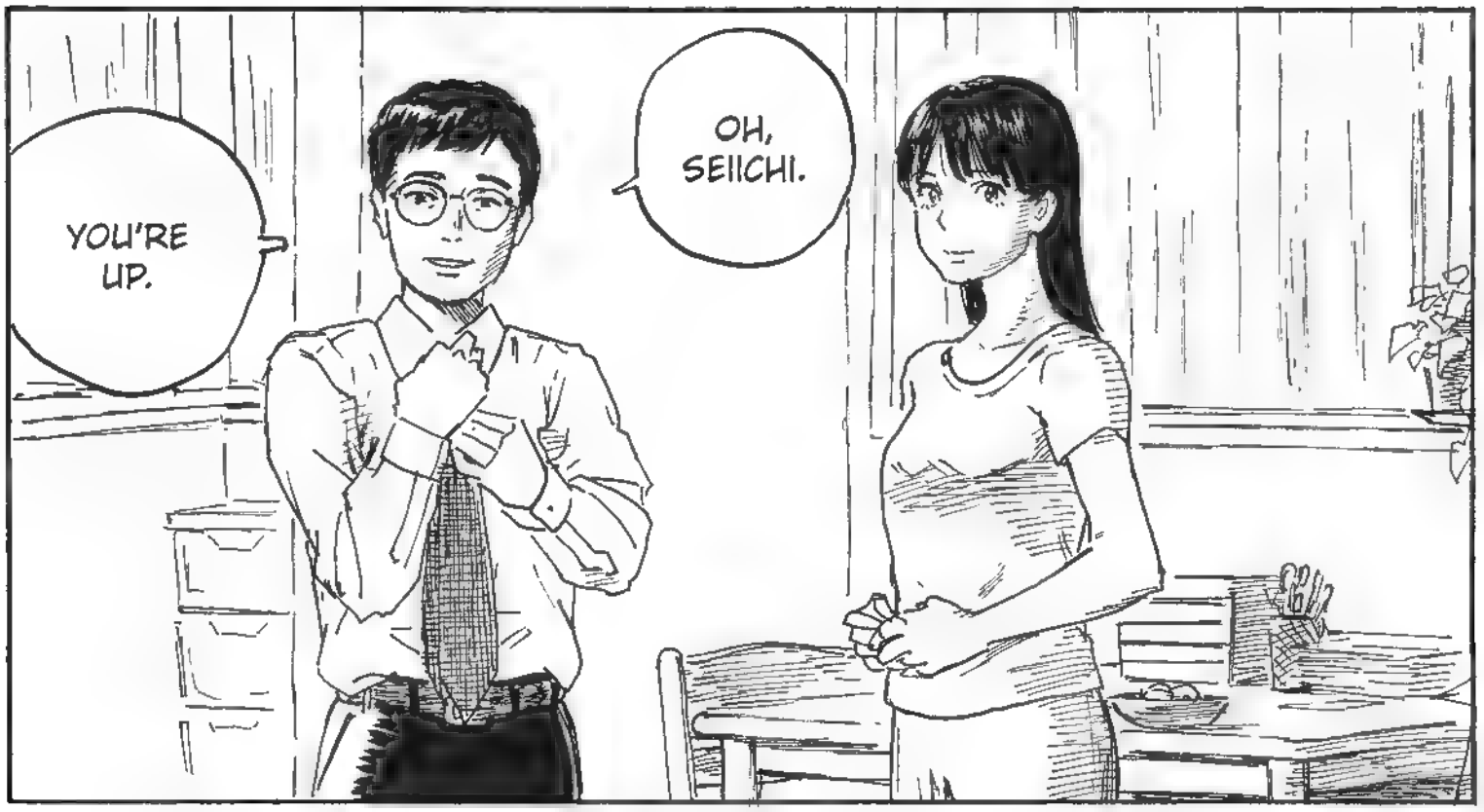
GOOD MORNING,
SEI.

2-1
OSABE


PORK OR RED BEAN?
YOU HUNGRY ?

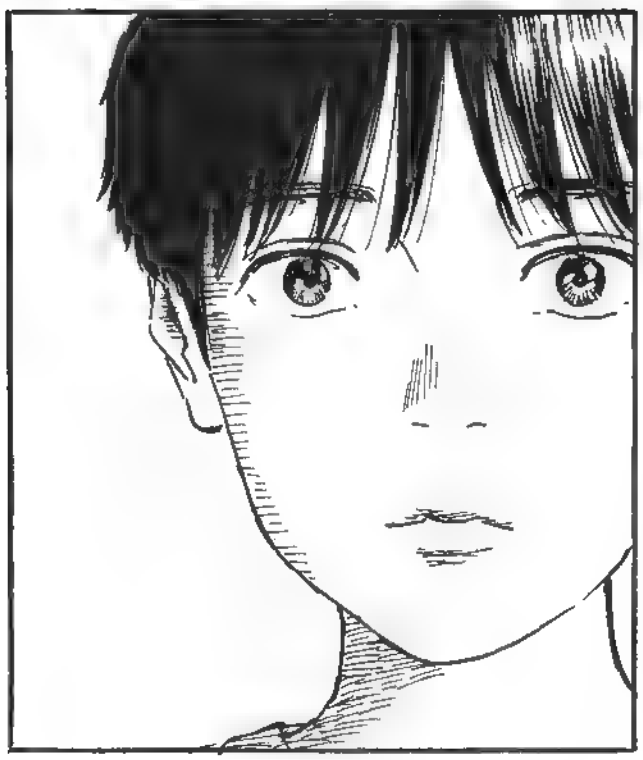

PORK.

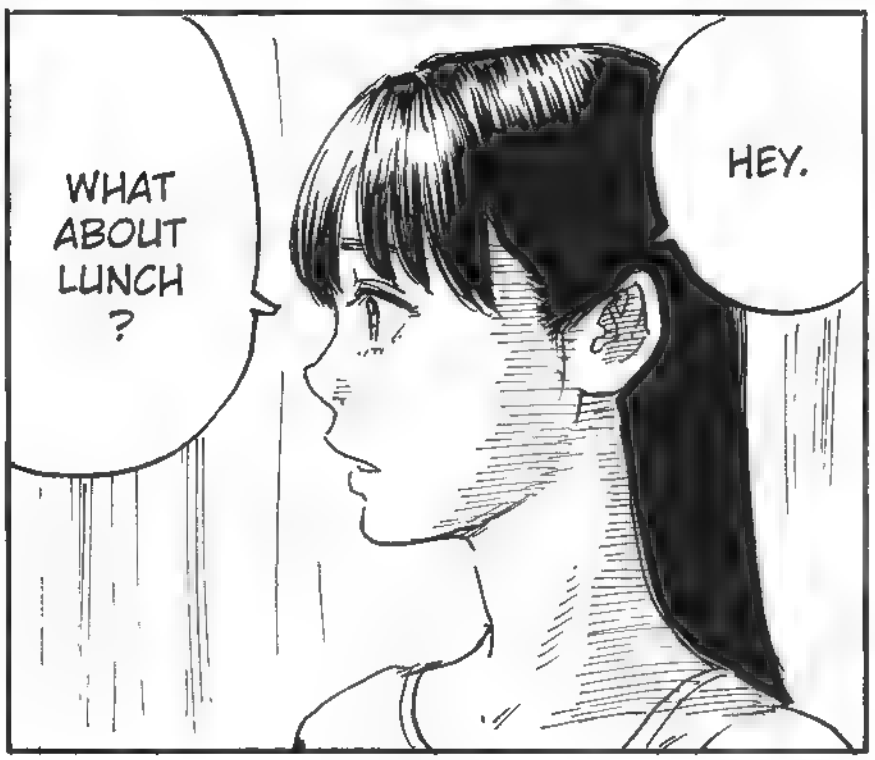
MORNING.
2-1
SABE


YOU'RE UP.
OH, SEIICHI.

GOT SOME THINGS TO FINISH UP.
YEAH, FOR A BIT.

HUH ?
YOU GOING TO WORK? IT'S SATURDAY.




WHAT ABOUT LUNCH ?
HEY.

AREN'T YOU GOING TO EAT WITH US?

YOUR SISTER AND SHIGE ARE COMING OVER.

DON'T WORRY, I'LL BE HERE.

2-1 OSABE

OH RIGHT... WHY DON'T YOU JUST ORDER UDON?

I'LL TAKE CARE OF IT.

OKAY... SURE.

HEH.

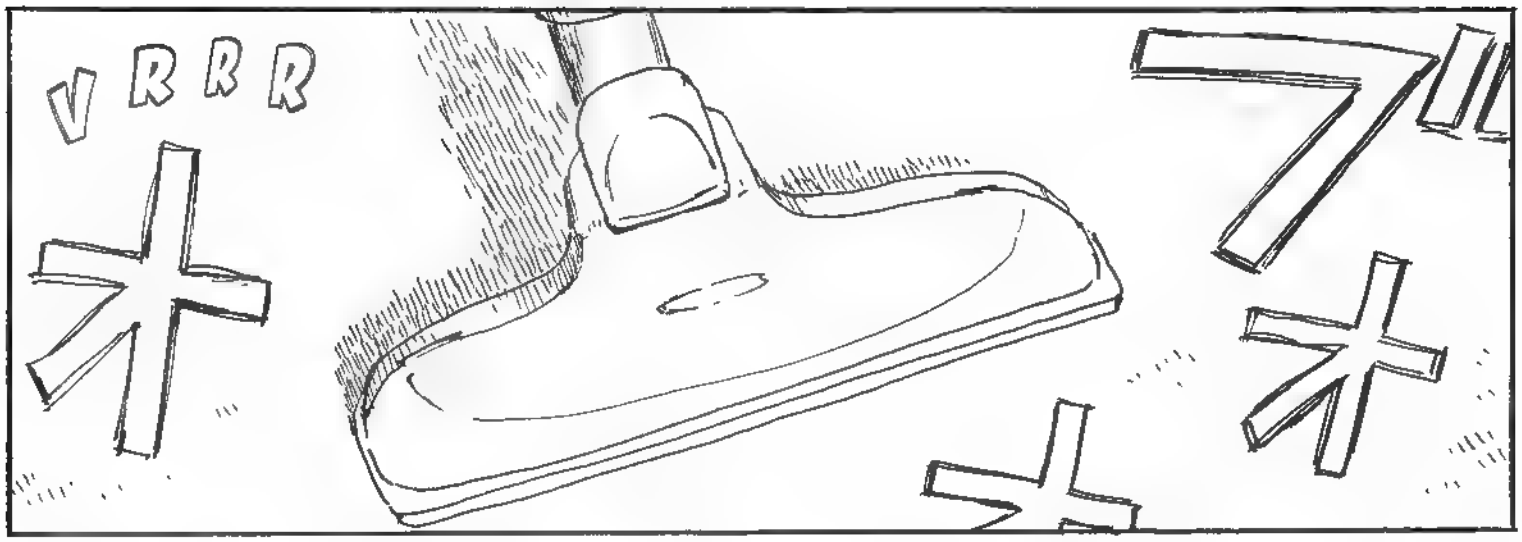
SEE YOU GUYS LATER.

YOU AND SHIGERU REALLY GET ON GREAT, DON'T YOU.

SEIICHI,

SLAM

BYE NOW.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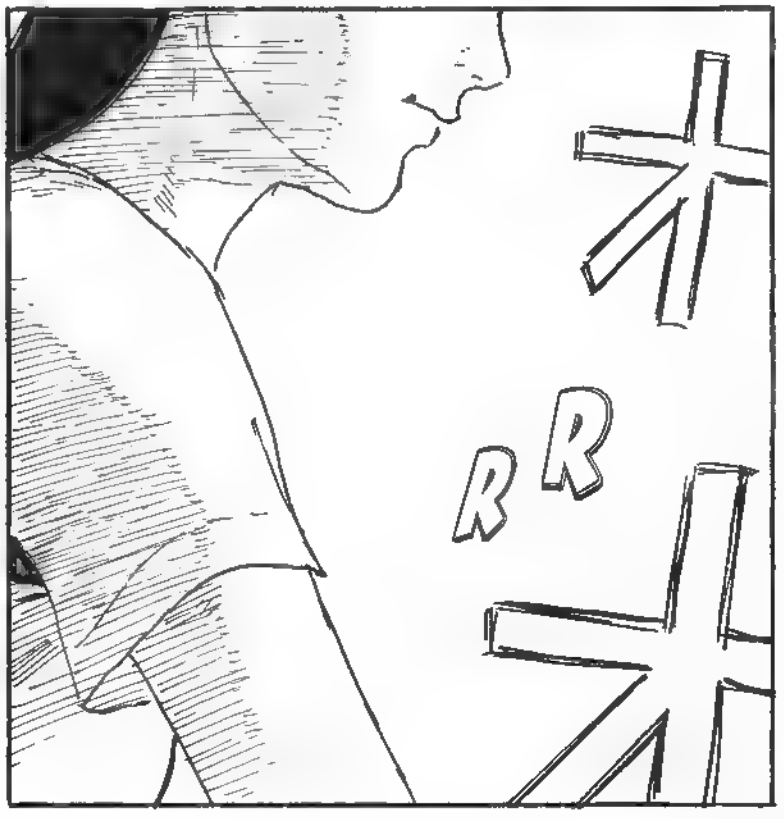
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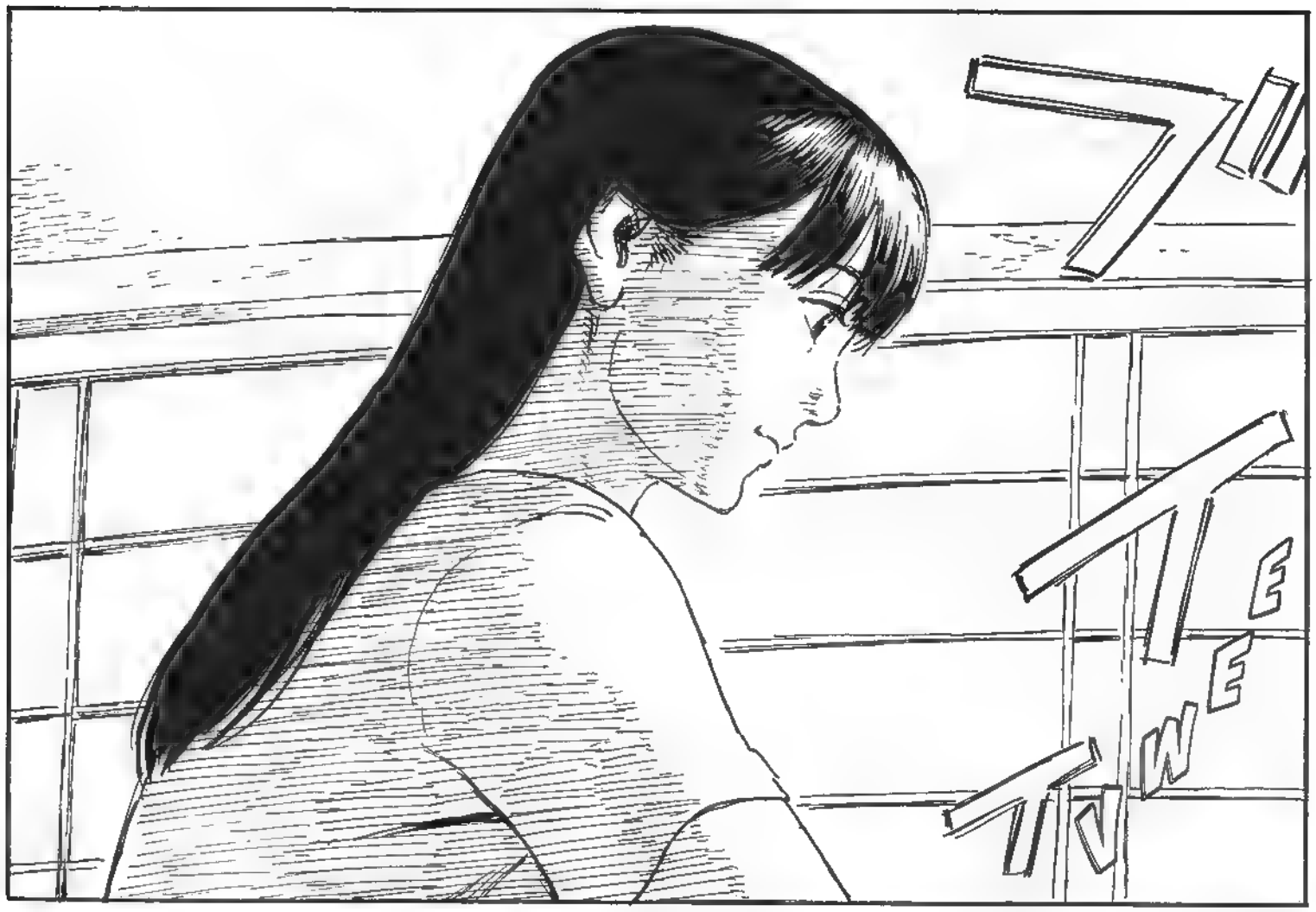
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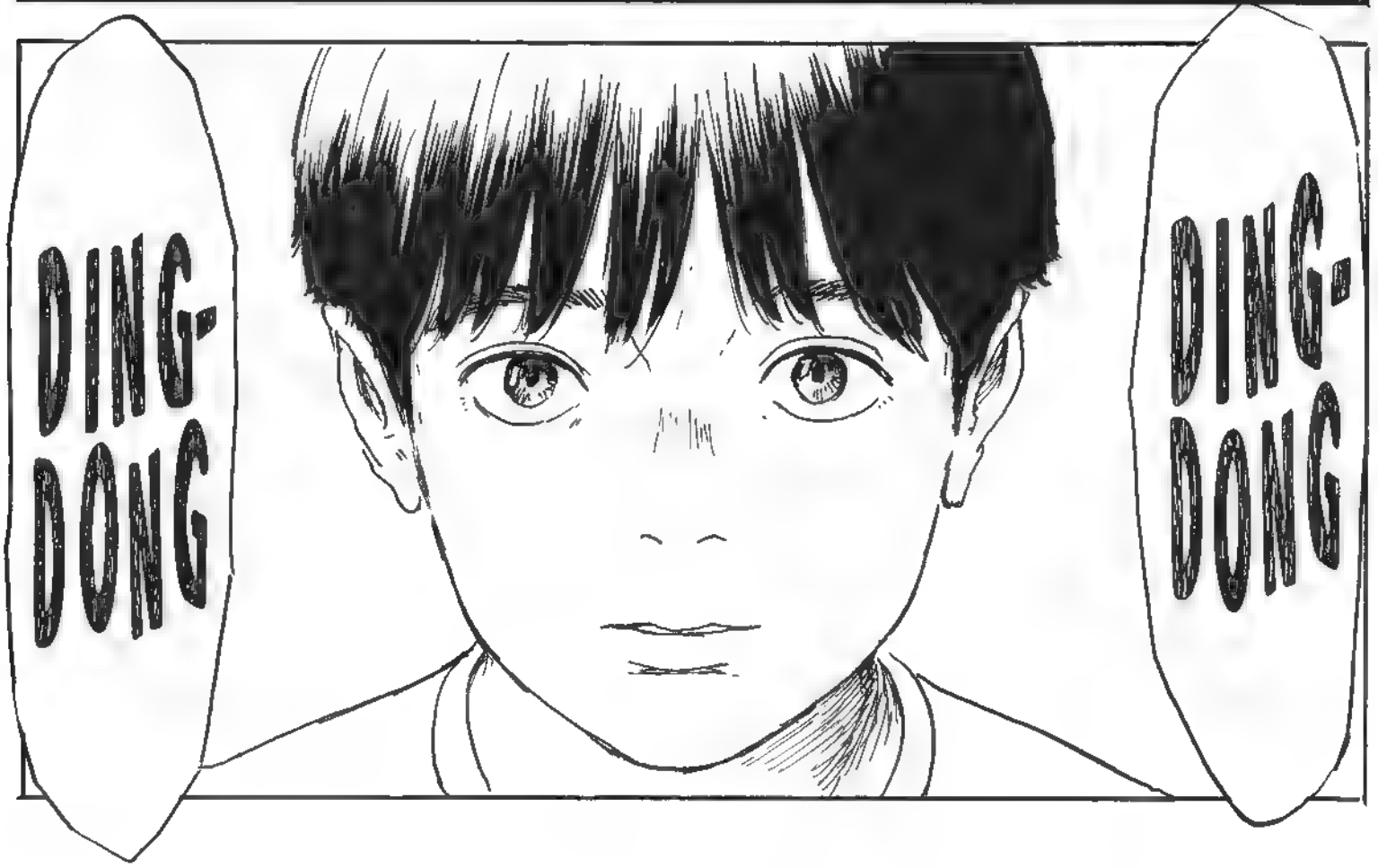
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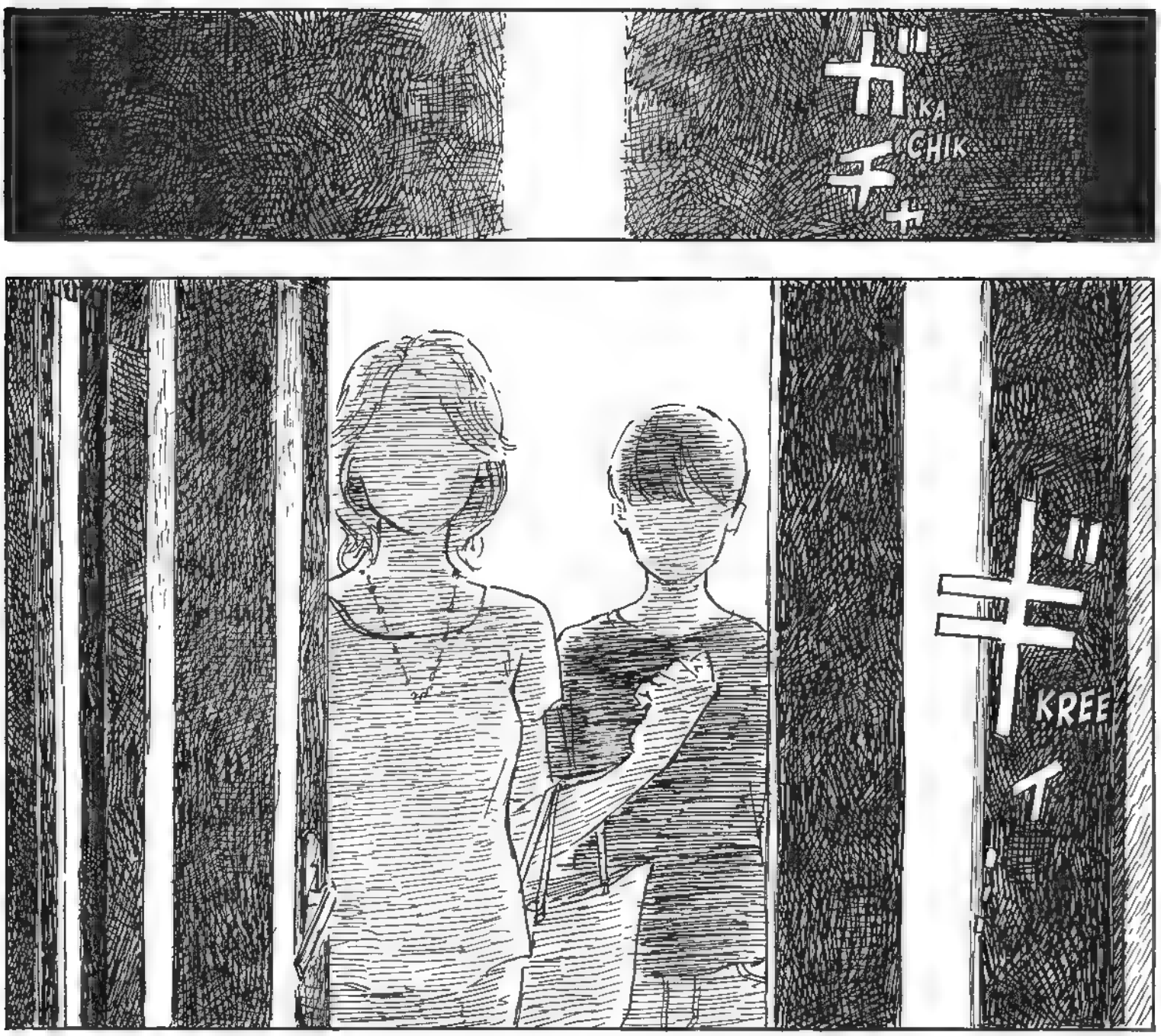
BE RIGHT THERE.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BOY, IT'S HOT OUT THERE. IT'S AWFUL!

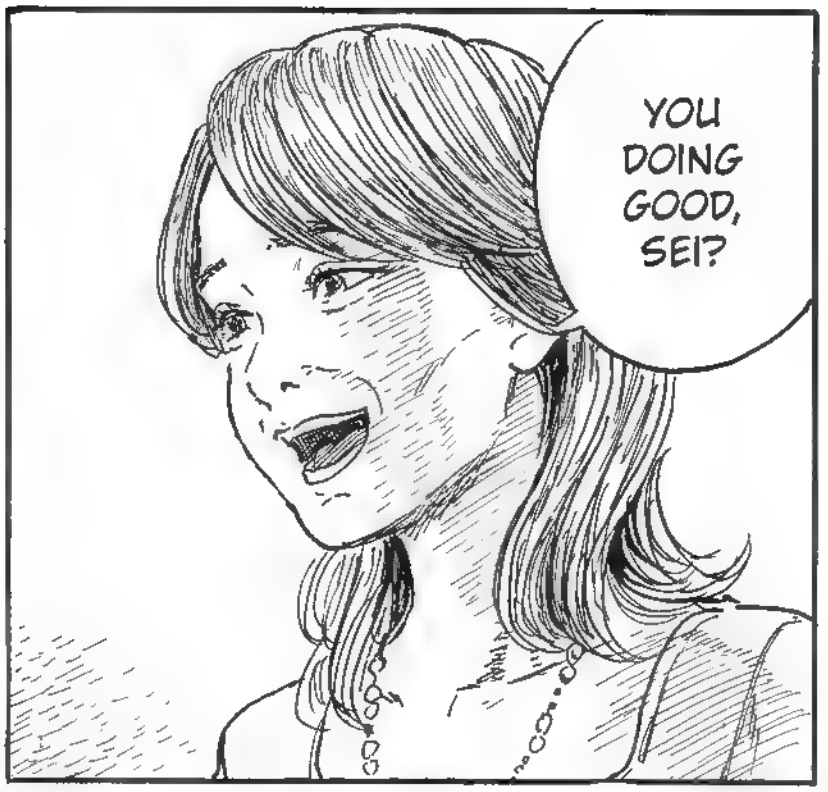
MORNIN'!

YEAH, IT REALLY IS HOT, HUH.

2-1 OSABE

GOOD MORNING.

UH
HUH.


YOU
DOING
GOOD,
SEI?

HEY,
SEI.
COME ON,
LET'S GO
UPSTAIRS!
NOWHERE

NOWHERE

2-1
OSABE

とん TUMP
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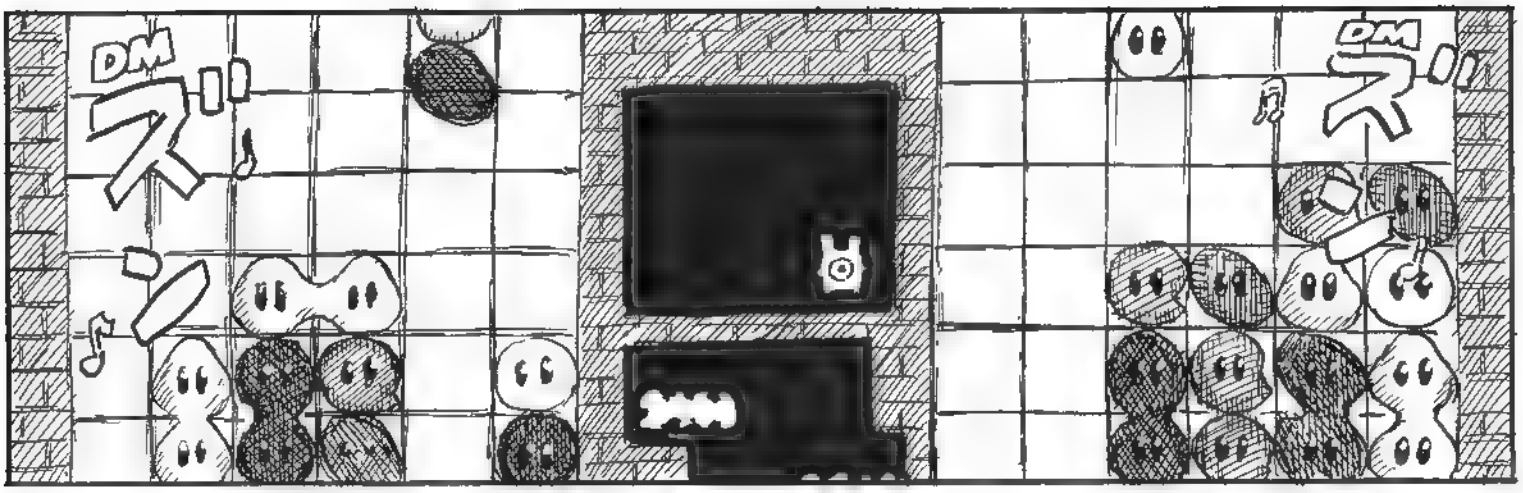
'KAY!

AH
HA
HA
HA

I JUST COULDN'T STAND IT ANYMORE!

REALLY? IT'S THAT BAD?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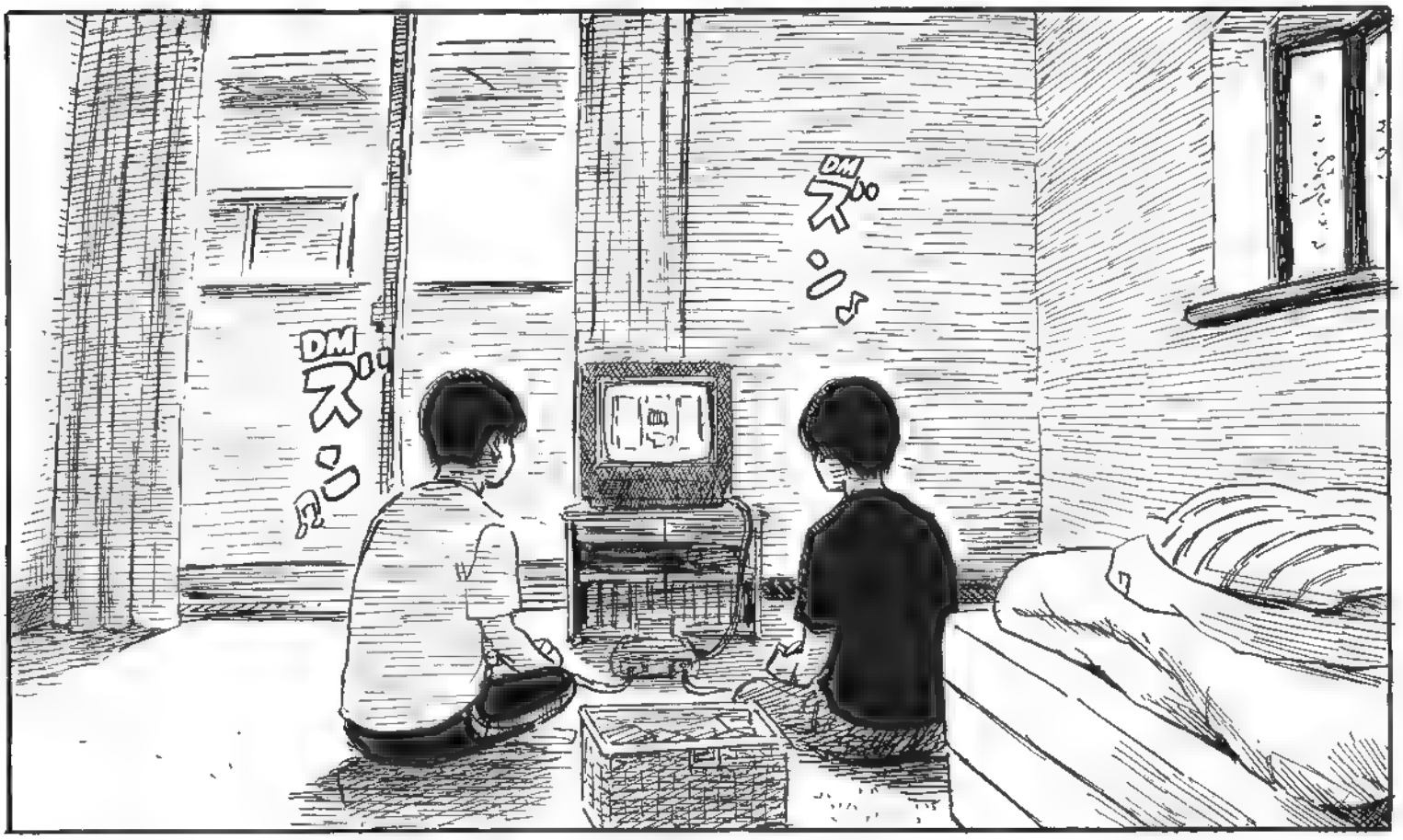
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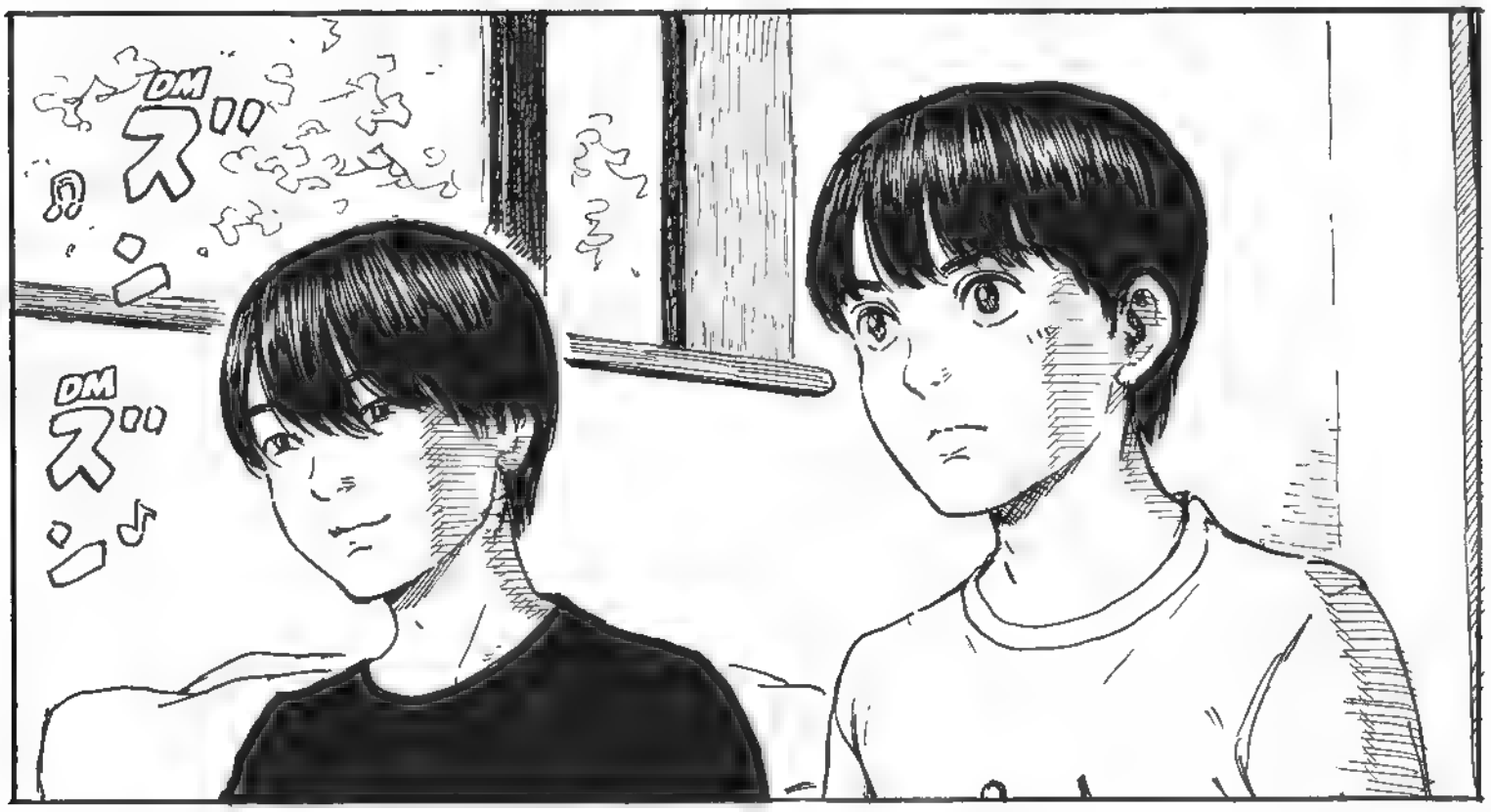
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ALL RIGHT, TAKE THIS!

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YEAHHH! THREE WINS IN A ROW!

DUMMM
ルルル

SEI, YOU REALLY SUCK AT THIS!
HA HA HA !

WHAAAT? AW, MAAAN.
OK, YOU KNOW WHAT HAPPENS NOW.

OW!
THAP

OWWW

HEH HEH HEH ...

HAH!

WHADDAYA WANNA PLAY NEXT?

CHAK

2-1 OSABE

CHAK

SEI.

AH HA HA HA

AH HA HA HA, REALLY ?!

I'M NOT KIDDING!

YOUR FAMILY'S KINDA OVER-PROTECTIVE.

YA KNOW,

WHAT DOES THAT MEAN ?

THEY PROTECT YOU TOO MUCH.

JUST, LIKE,

ALWAYS HOVERING OVER YOU, YOU KNOW ?

LIKE HOW AUNT SEIKO'S, LIKE,

SEI.

YUP.

I MEAN,

YOU THINK SO?

Y-

REMEM-
BER IN
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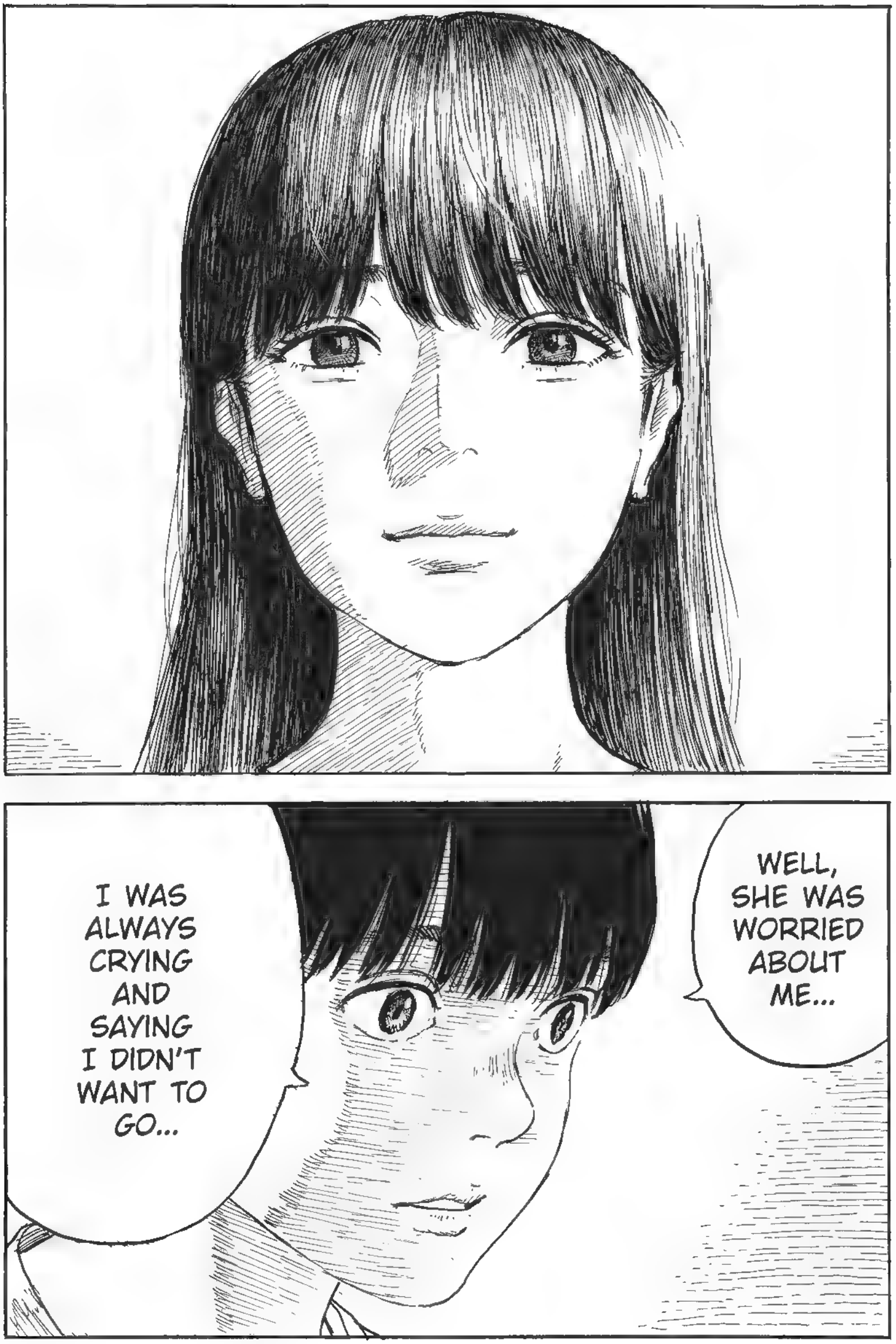
GARTEN?
HOW AUNT
SEIKO STOOD
THERE IN
THE BACK OF
THE ROOM
EVERY DAY?


I WAS ALWAYS CRYING AND SAYING I DIDN'T WANT TO GO...
WELL, SHE WAS WORRIED ABOUT ME...

D-

LIKE I SAID, TOTALLY OVER-PROTEC-TIVE!

SURE, BUT DON'T YOU THINK IT WAS KIND OF WEIRD?

DON'T TALK

ABOUT MY MOM THAT WAY.

PFFF!

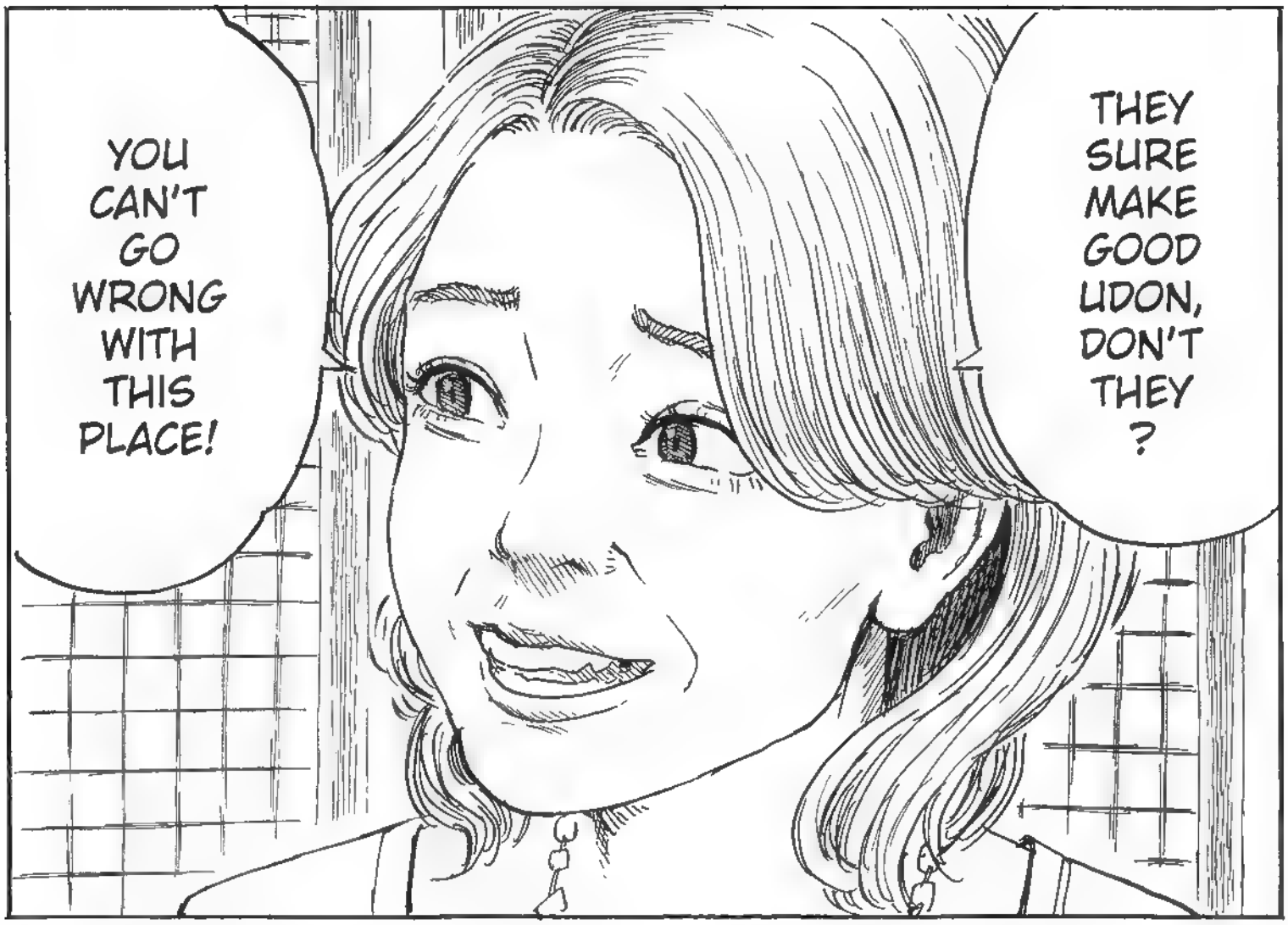
DON'T GET PISSED!

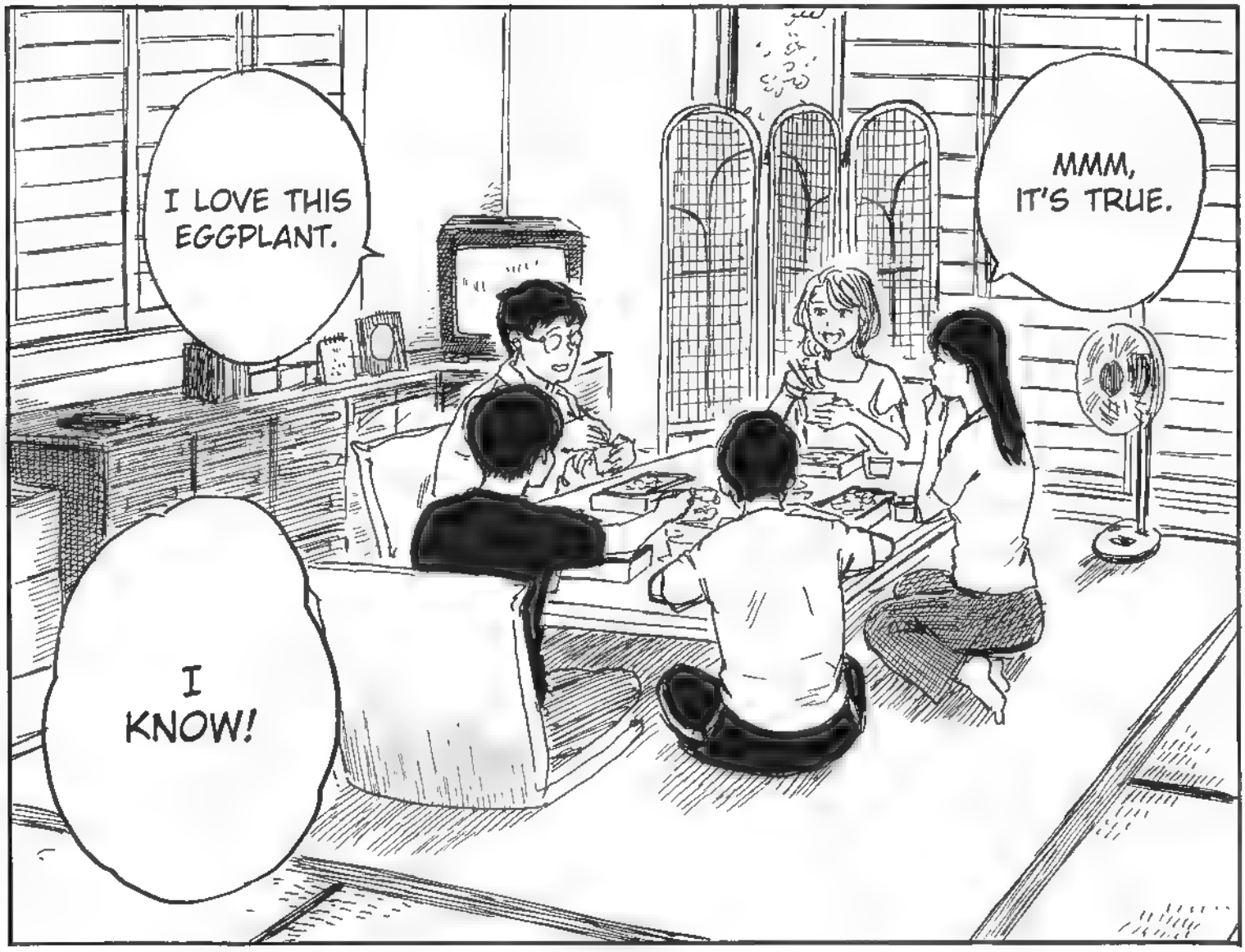
YOU IDIOT, I'M JUST MESSIN' WITH YOU!

MY MOM'S THE ONE WHO WAS SAYING THAT STUFF, ANYWAY.

LET'S PLAY SOME-THING ELSE.

COME ON!


YOU CAN'T GO WRONG WITH THIS PLACE!
THEY SURE MAKE GOOD UDON, DON'T THEY?


I LOVE THIS EGGPLANT.
MMM, IT'S TRUE.
I KNOW!

THIS IS SO GOOD!

UH...
OKAY.

COME ON, SEI,
HAVE SOME TEMPURA.

HUH?

HEY, SEI,

LET'S HANG OUT AGAIN TOMOR-ROW!

NOWHERE

SEI WAS THE ONE WHO SAID HE WANTED TO HANG OUT!

BUT YOU'VE BEEN HERE EVERY WEEK THIS MONTH!

IT'S OKAY, RIGHT, MOM?

IT'S TOTALLY FINE.

...OH,

SLRRP

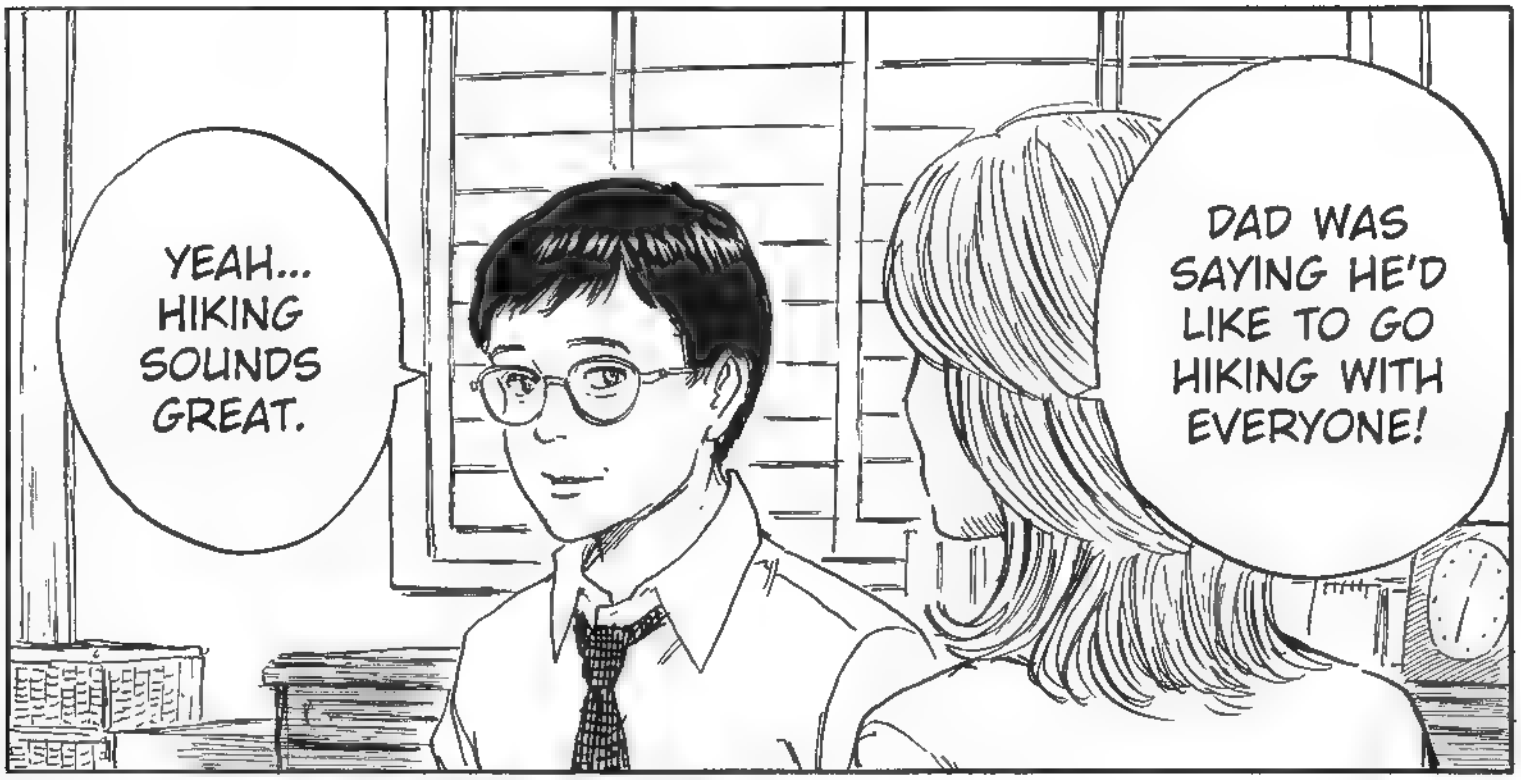
UH-HUH!

REALLY?

WELL, IF YOU DON'T MIND, I GUESS WE'LL BE BACK?

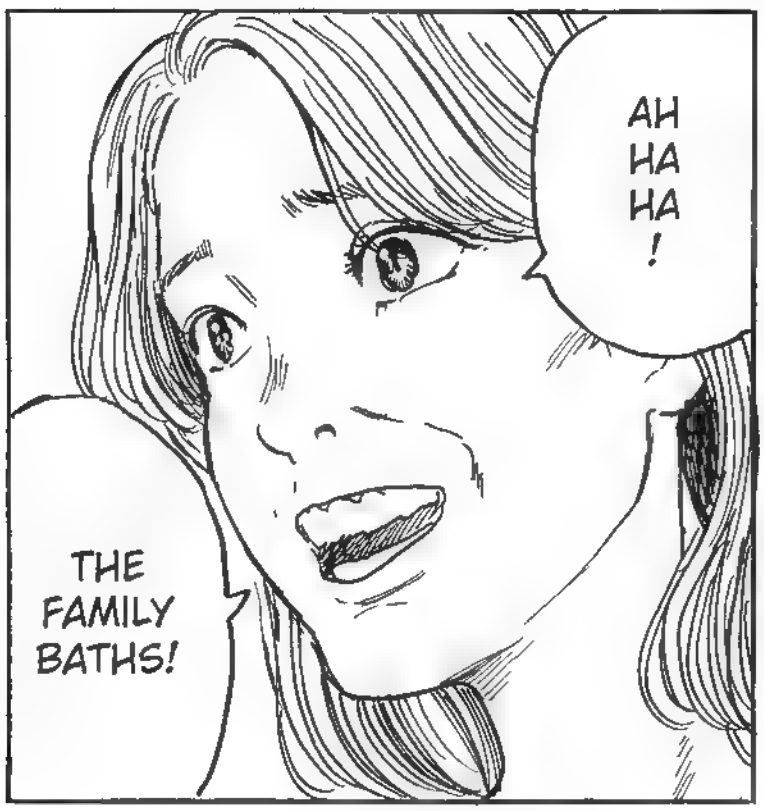
LET'S ALL GO SOMEWHERE OVER SUMMER BREAK!

OH, THAT REMINDS ME!


YEAH... HIKING SOUNDS GREAT.
DAD WAS SAYING HE'D LIKE TO GO HIKING WITH EVERYONE!

THAT DOES SOUND NICE.

LIKE THE PLACE WE WENT LAST YEAR!
WE COULD STAY AT A HOT SPRING RESORT!


AH HA HA !
THE FAMILY BATHS!

THE FAMILY BATHS!
KNOW WHAT THAT REMINDS ME OF?

AH HA HA HA HA.

SLRRP

YOU WENT IN WITH SHIGERU'S DAD, DIDN'T YOU, ICHIRO!

THAT'S RIGHT, RUBBING YOUR LEG HAIR TOGETHER!

NO THANK YOU!

YOU TWO NEED TO DO IT AGAIN!

AH HA HA HA HA

SEE YOU TOMORROW, SEI!

THANKS FOR EVERYTHING.

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SHRRK

TAKE CARE!

BYE NOW.

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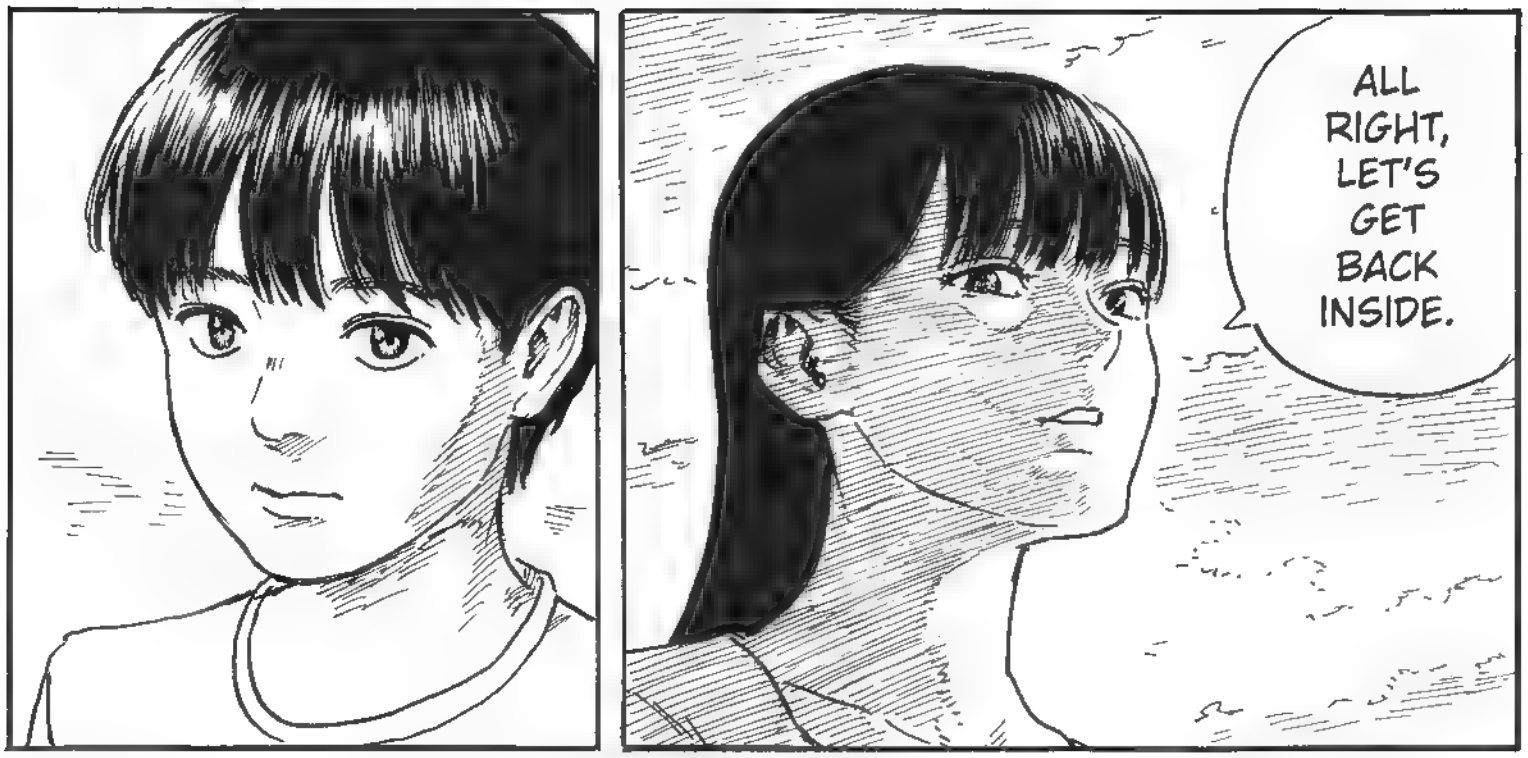

ALL RIGHT, LET'S GET BACK INSIDE.

...UH, MOM.

NO... NEVER MIND.

WHAT'S WRONG?

SHK

POKE.

I SAID...
NEVER MIND...

IT'S OKAY. WHAT IS IT?
COOCHIE COO.

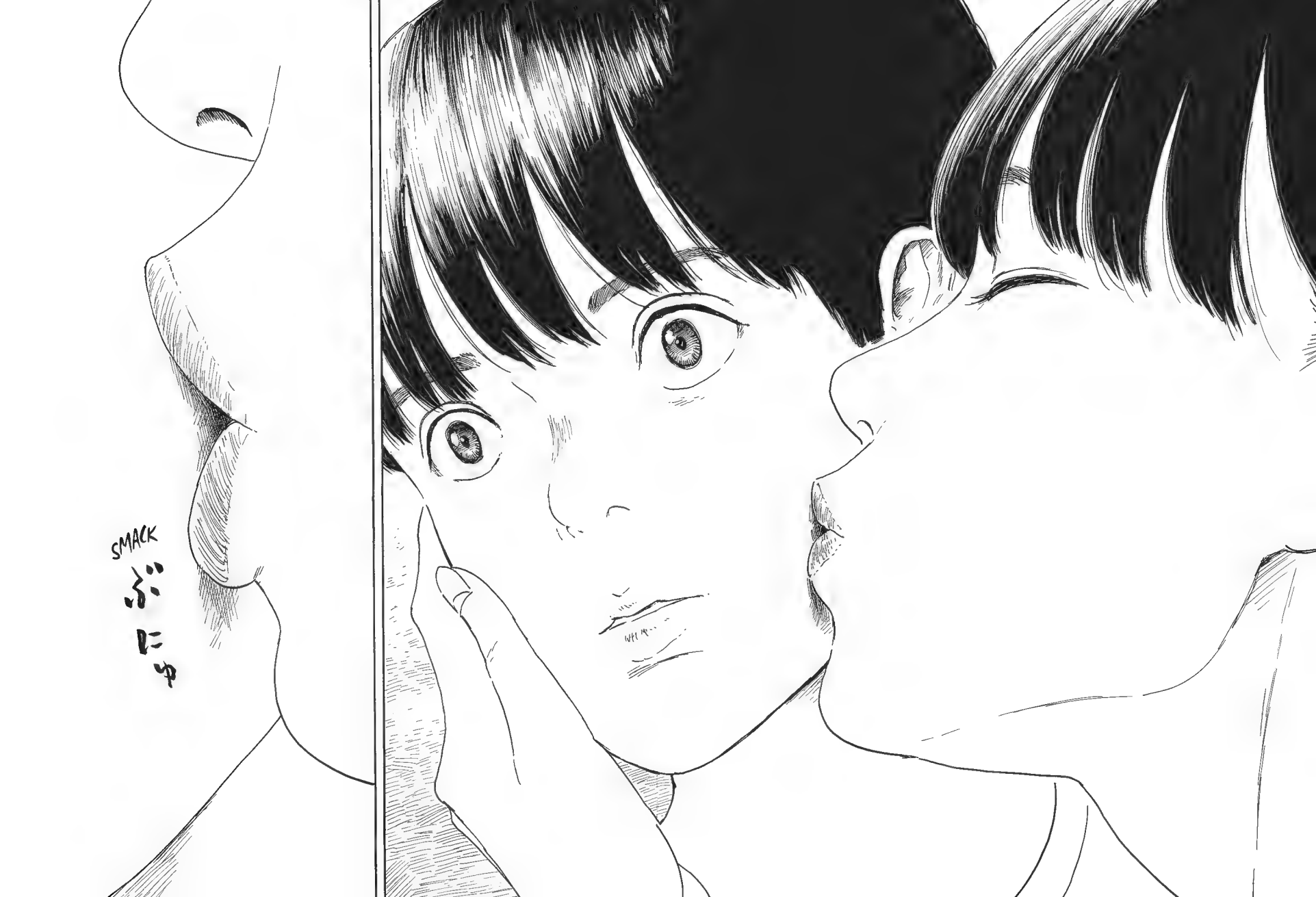
MM?

WHISPER
ボソ

MOMMY.

FOR EVERY-THING.

THANKS.


SMACK
ぶにゃ

HEY!

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WHP

Heehee.

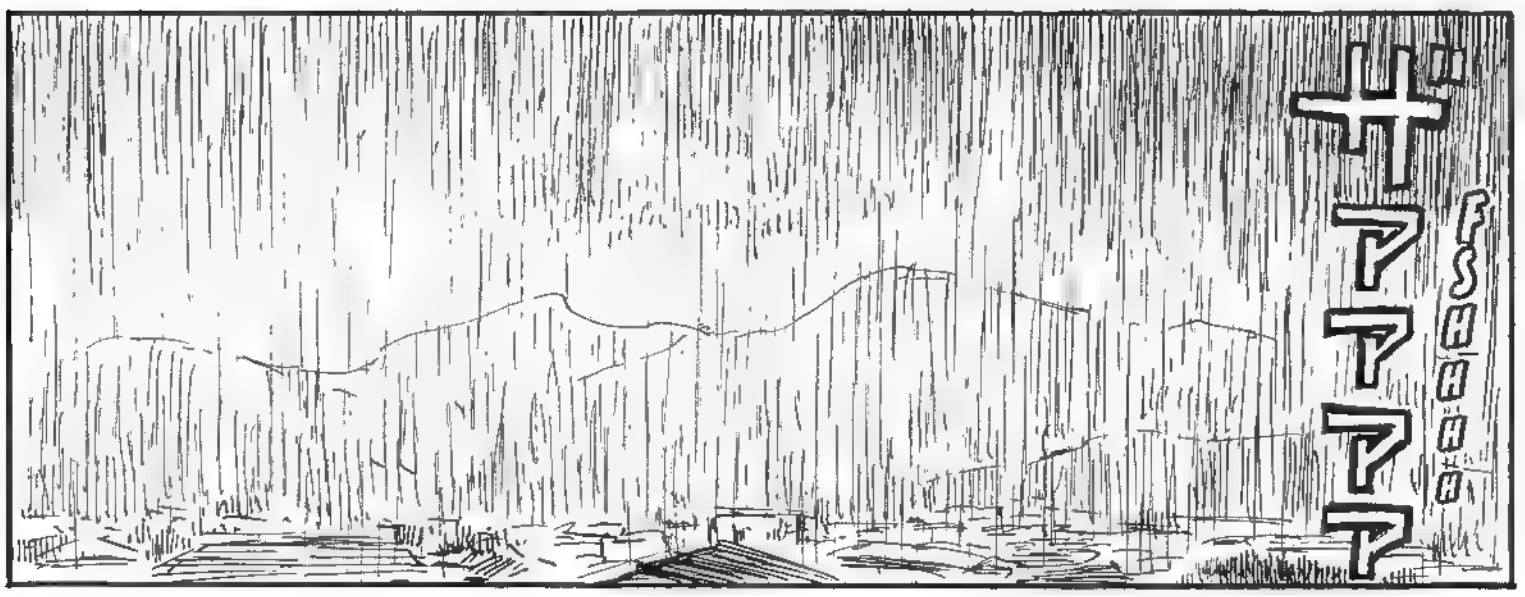
YOU MAKE ME SO HAPPY.

THANK YOU.

SHIGE CAME OVER EVERY WEEK.
NIKNIKNIKNIKNIK
FROM THEN ON,
CHAPTER 3 The First Day of Summer

LIKE CLOCK-WORK.
SATUR-DAY AND SUNDAY,

ALWAYS LOOKED HAPPY.
MOM-MY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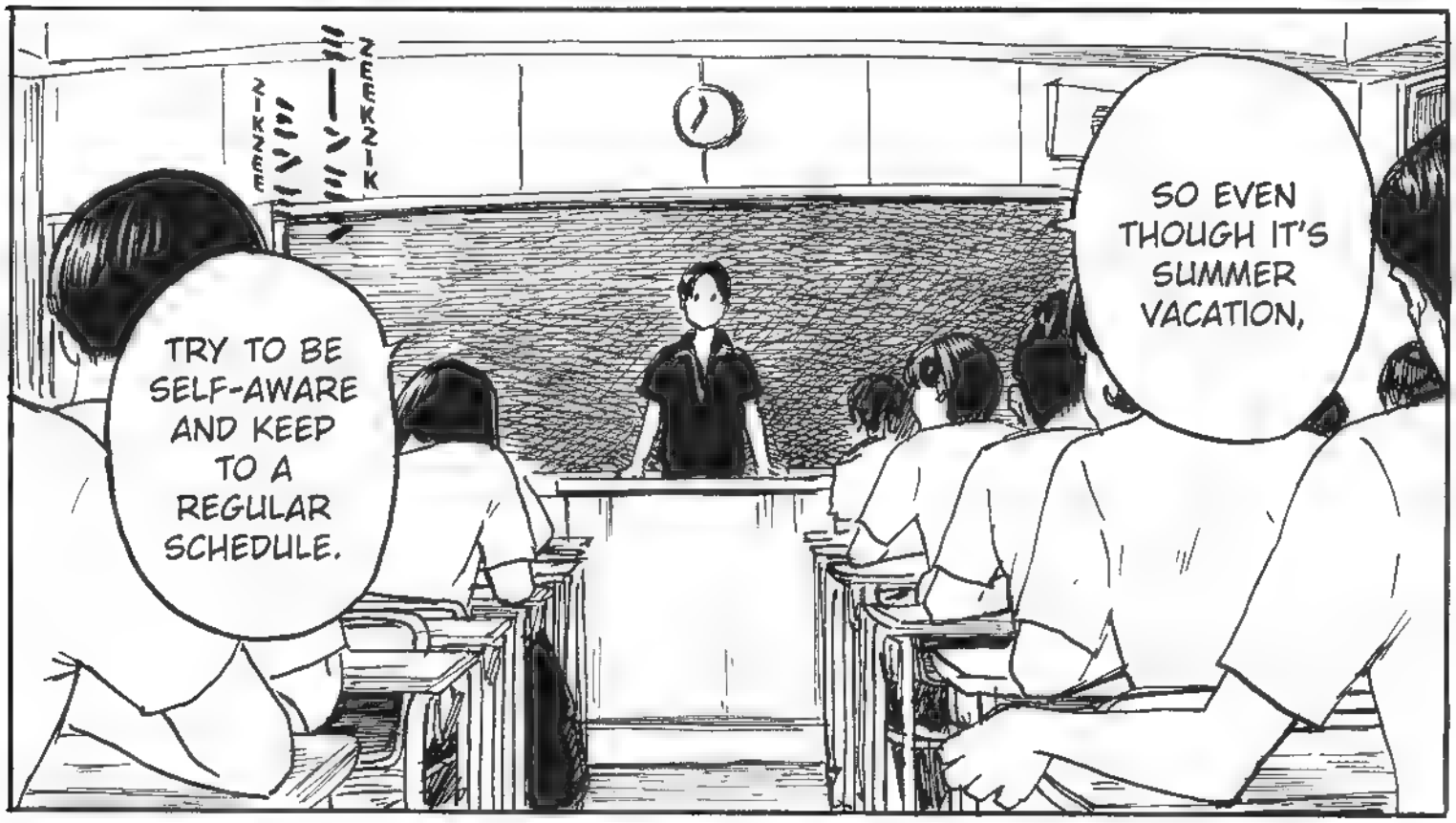

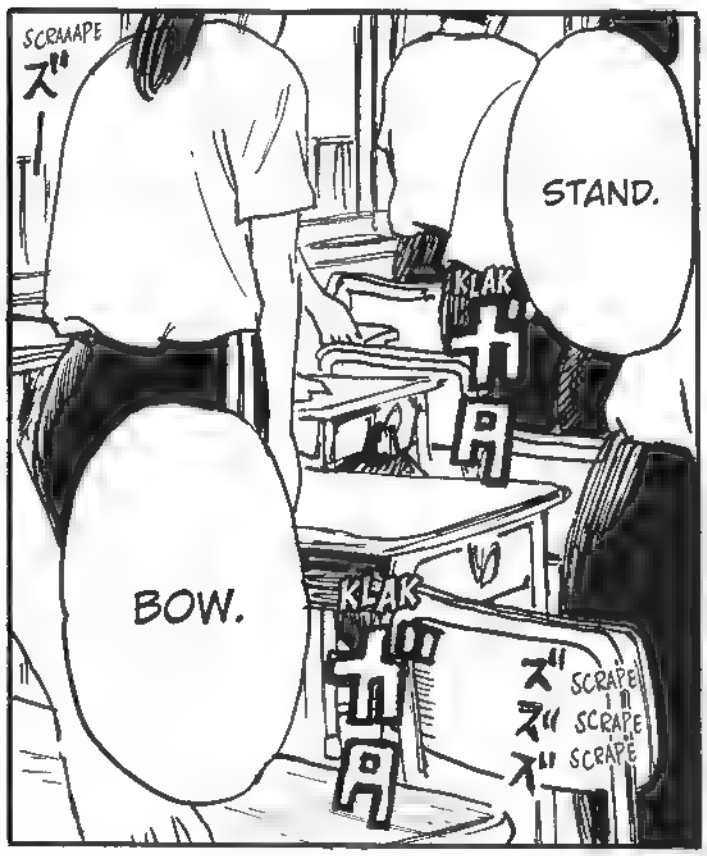

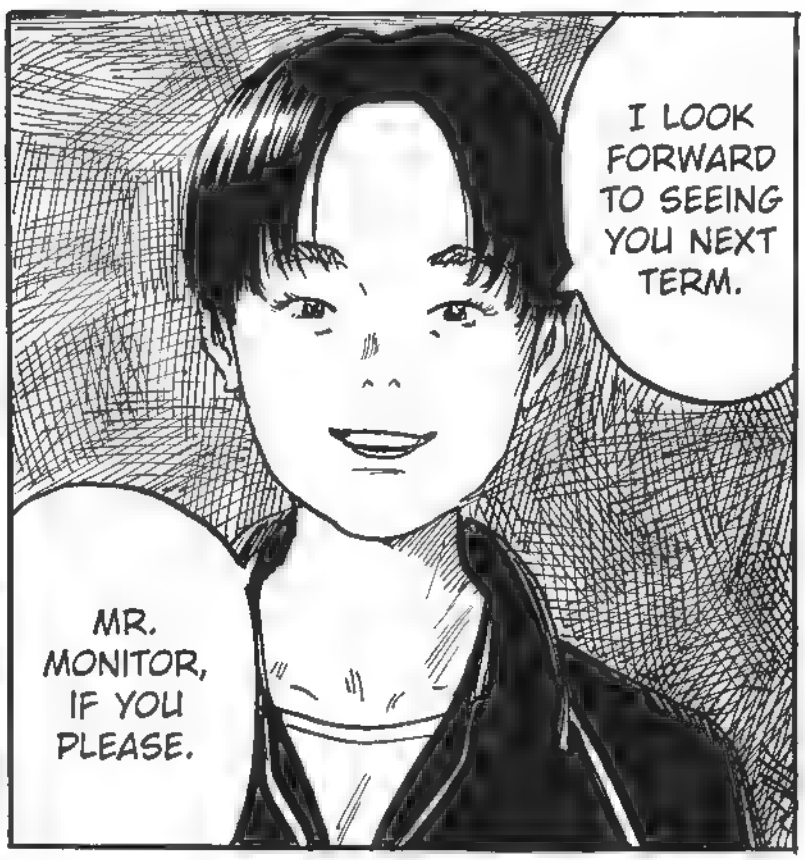

OSABE!

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CHATTER

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HOW WAS YOUR REPORT CARD?

WALK HOME WITH US.

LIAR! I BET YOU DID WAY BETTER THAN ME!

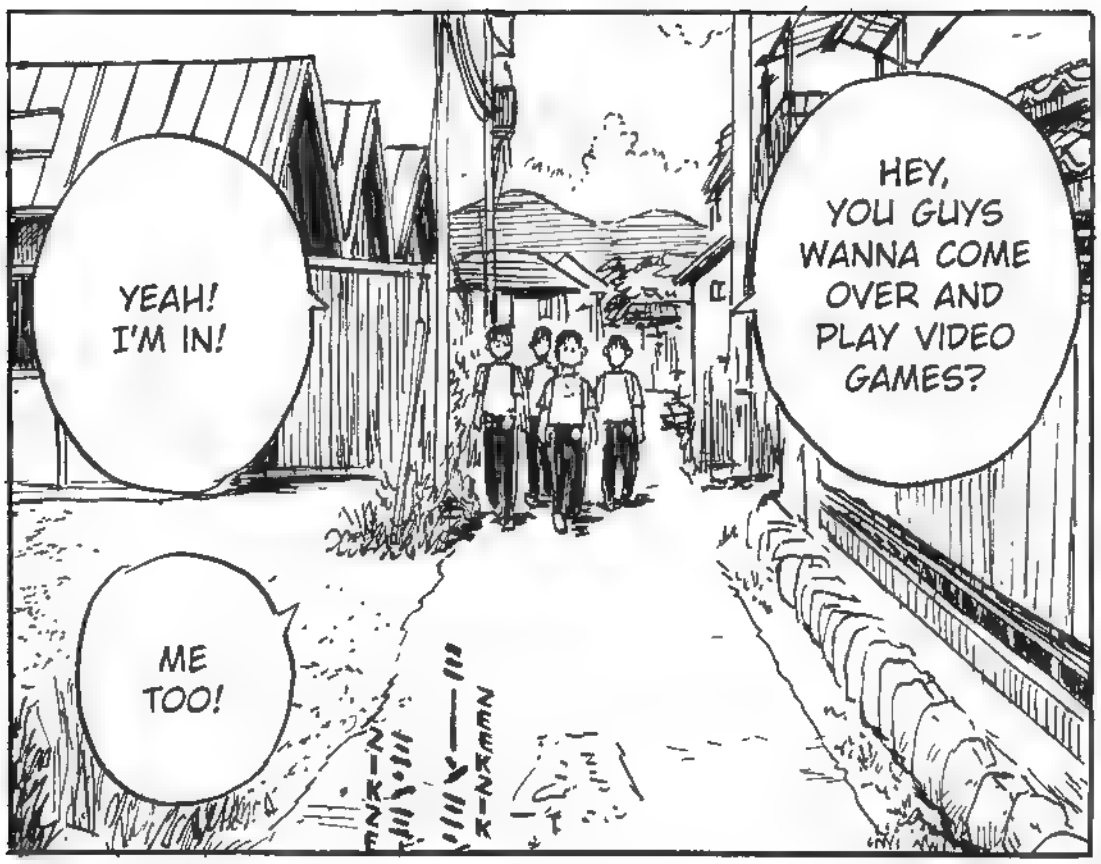
2-1 OTANI

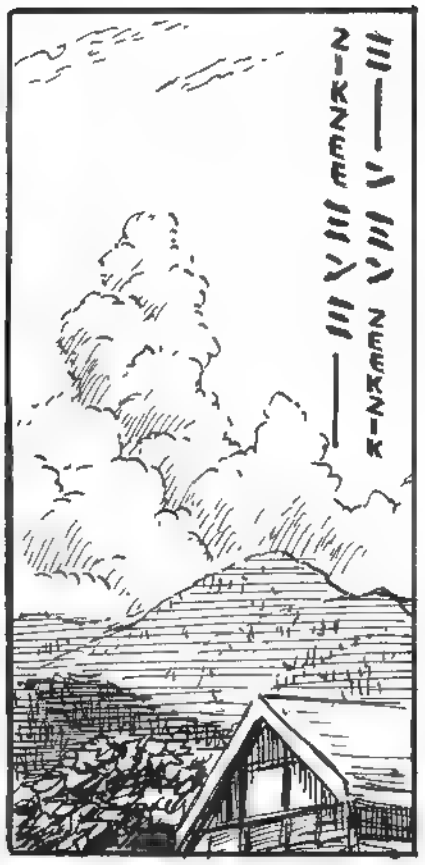
YOU JERK!

...YEAH, MAYBE.

WELL...

SO-SO.


YEAH! I'M IN!
HEY, YOU GUYS WANNA COME OVER AND PLAY VIDEO GAMES?
ME TOO!
ZIKNZEE ZIN ZIN ZEEKNIK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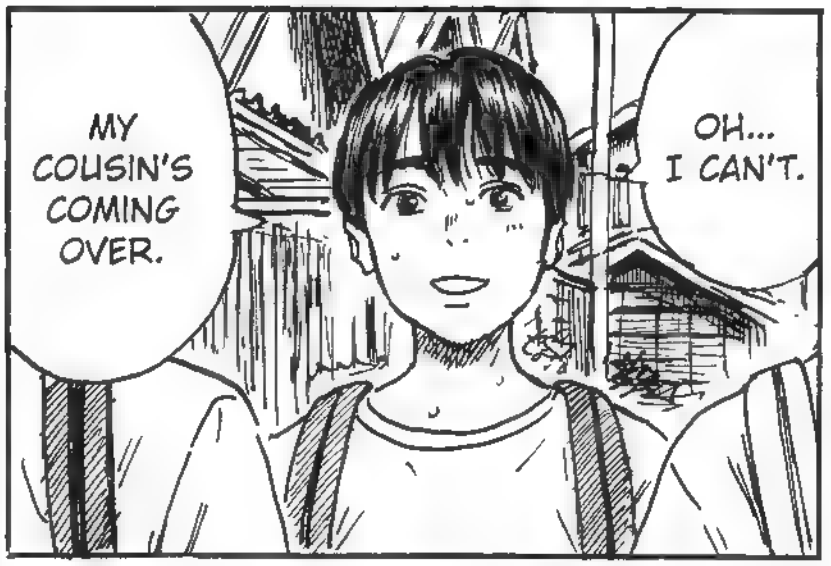
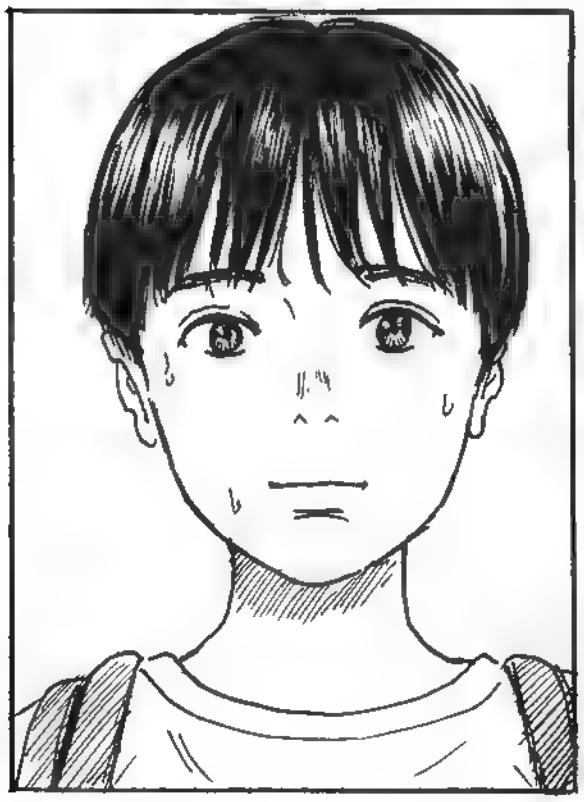
HE PRACTI-CALLY LIVES AT YOUR PLACE, HUH?
AGAIN ?!


MY COUSIN'S COMING OVER.
OH... I CAN'T.



LATER.
OH WELL. NEXT TIME!
LATER!

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ミーンミンミンミーン! ZEEKZIK ZIKNEE

OSABE!

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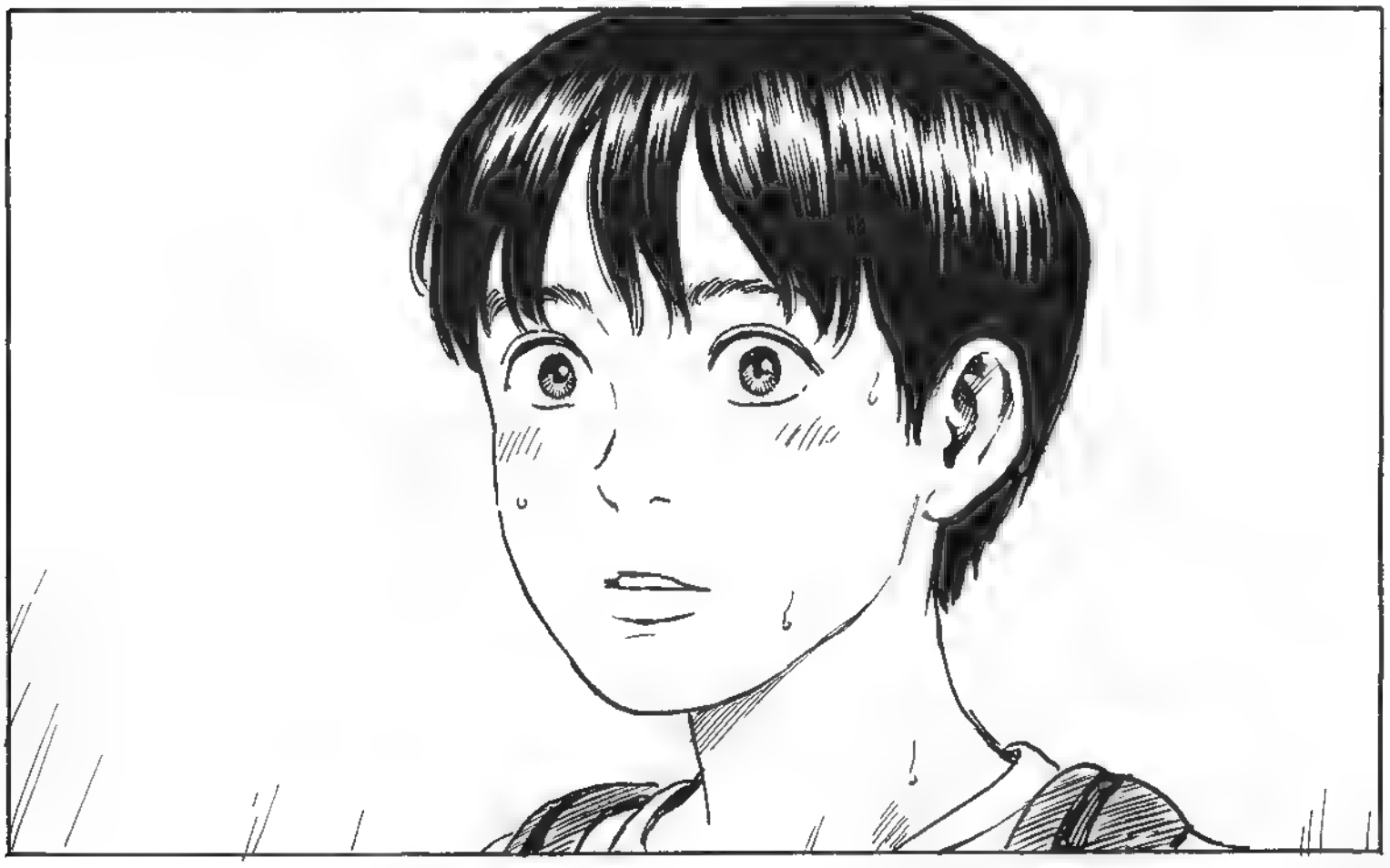

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HUFF

...SEE,

...
YEAH
?

SAYS SHE WANTS TO WALK HOME WITH YOU.

FUKIISHI HERE

...

HUH?

BYEEE!

HUH? HEY...

2-1 OSABE

...YOU DON'T WANT TO?

2-1 OSABE

NO...

IT'S NOT THAT...

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ZEEK ミーン ZIKZIK ミンミン ZEE ミーン

2-1
FUKIISHI
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OSABE
交通事故多
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OH!
TP
A CAT!

MEOWWW.

GOOD KITTY.

PURR

PURR

YOU LIKE THAT ?

OH,
YEAH,

CAN I

COME OVER
SOMETIME?

...HUH?

SHK

YEAH.

TO MY HOUSE ?

COME OVER ...

FOR WHAT ...?

...F-

HE-Y

DON'T GET ANY FUNNY IDEAS!

HA HA HA !

OKAY, SO WHEN'S GOOD?

I... I WASN'T !

2-1 OSABE

DON'T BE STUPID!

YOU DON'T WANT ME TO?

... YOU'RE SERIOUS ?

...THE THING IS,

SO... I GOTTA GO HOME AND ASK MY MOM FIRST.

MY COUSIN... COMES OVER A LOT.

IF HE'S THERE, IT'S NOT GONNA WORK.

2-1 OSABE

THEN CALL ME WHEN YOU KNOW!

OKAY.

2-1 FUKUSHI

...UH,

O- OKAY.

GREAT. IT'S A DATE.

ZEEKZIK

ZIKZEE

I'M HOME.

SLAM

HI, SWEETIE.

HUH ?

SHOW ME.

SEI,

CAN I SEE IT?

YOUR REPORT CARD,

FLIP

199X REPORT CARD

GUNMA PREFECTURE KIRYU CITY SOUTH MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT SEIICHI OSABE

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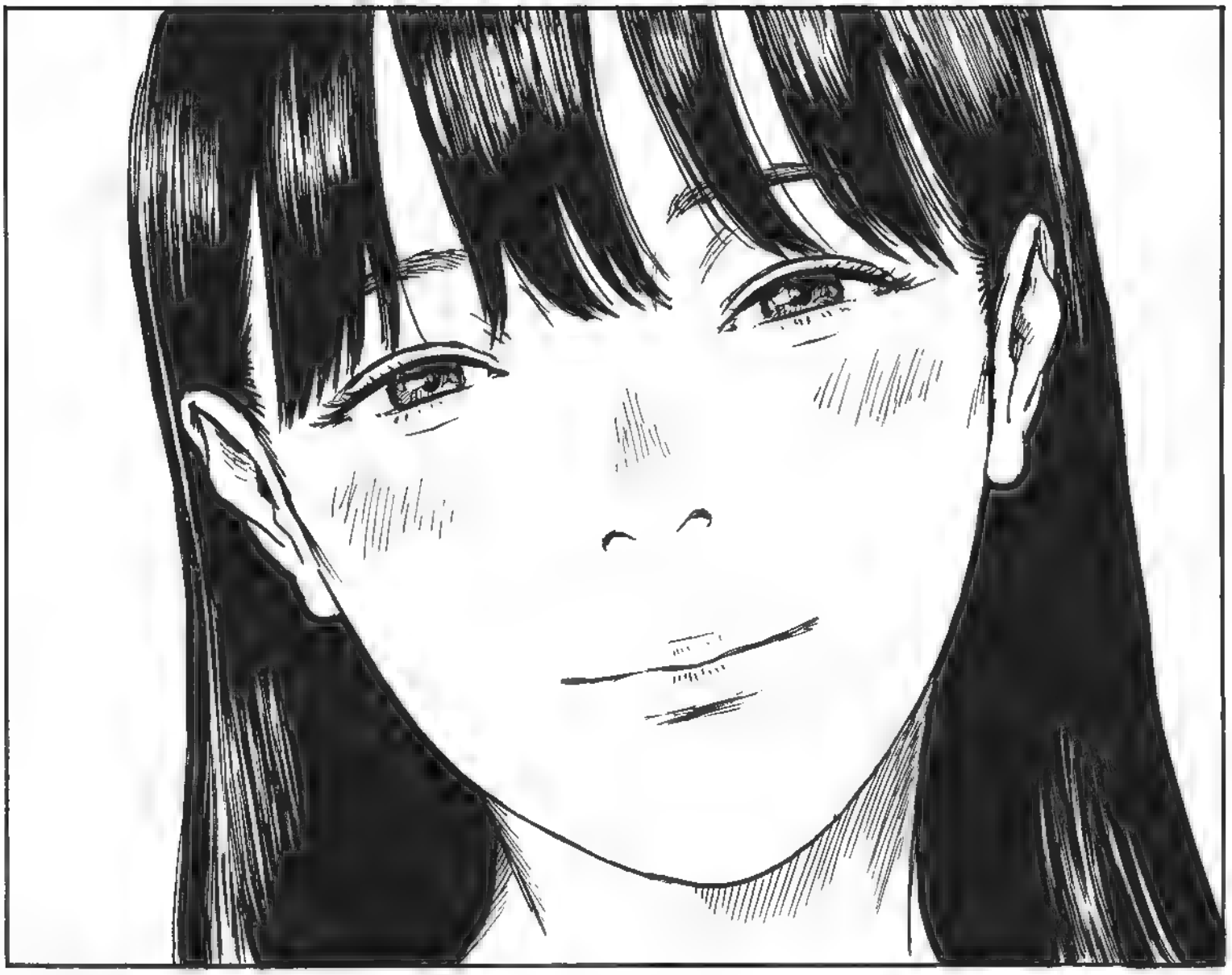

EXCEPT A 3 IN P.E.

5 IN EVERY-THING!

YOU NEVER LET ME DOWN.

THAT'S GREAT, SEI.

さFFP!

...UM,

YOU'RE NOT SO EMBARRASSED TO LET ME TOUCH YOU TODAY?

HMM ?

INVITE A FRIEND OVER?

CAN I...

SURE.

SOME DAY WHEN SHIGE AND HIS MOM AREN'T COMING, I MEAN...

...BUT WE'RE ALL GOING ON THAT TRIP NEXT WEEK, REMEMBER?

THAT'S FINE.

COULD YOU WAIT 'TIL THINGS SETTLE DOWN AFTER THE TRIP ?

BUT IF YOU DON'T MIND,

OF COURSE YOU CAN HAVE A FRIEND OVER,

SO THINGS ARE A LITTLE HECTIC.

SORRY.

OKAY... AFTER THE TRIP, THEN.

OH... YEAH.

SEI.

TUP
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TUP
とん

IS ROAST PORK AND RICE OKAY?

FOR LUNCH,

SEI,

SURE.

OH...

SOME-
THING
HAPPEN
?

YOU
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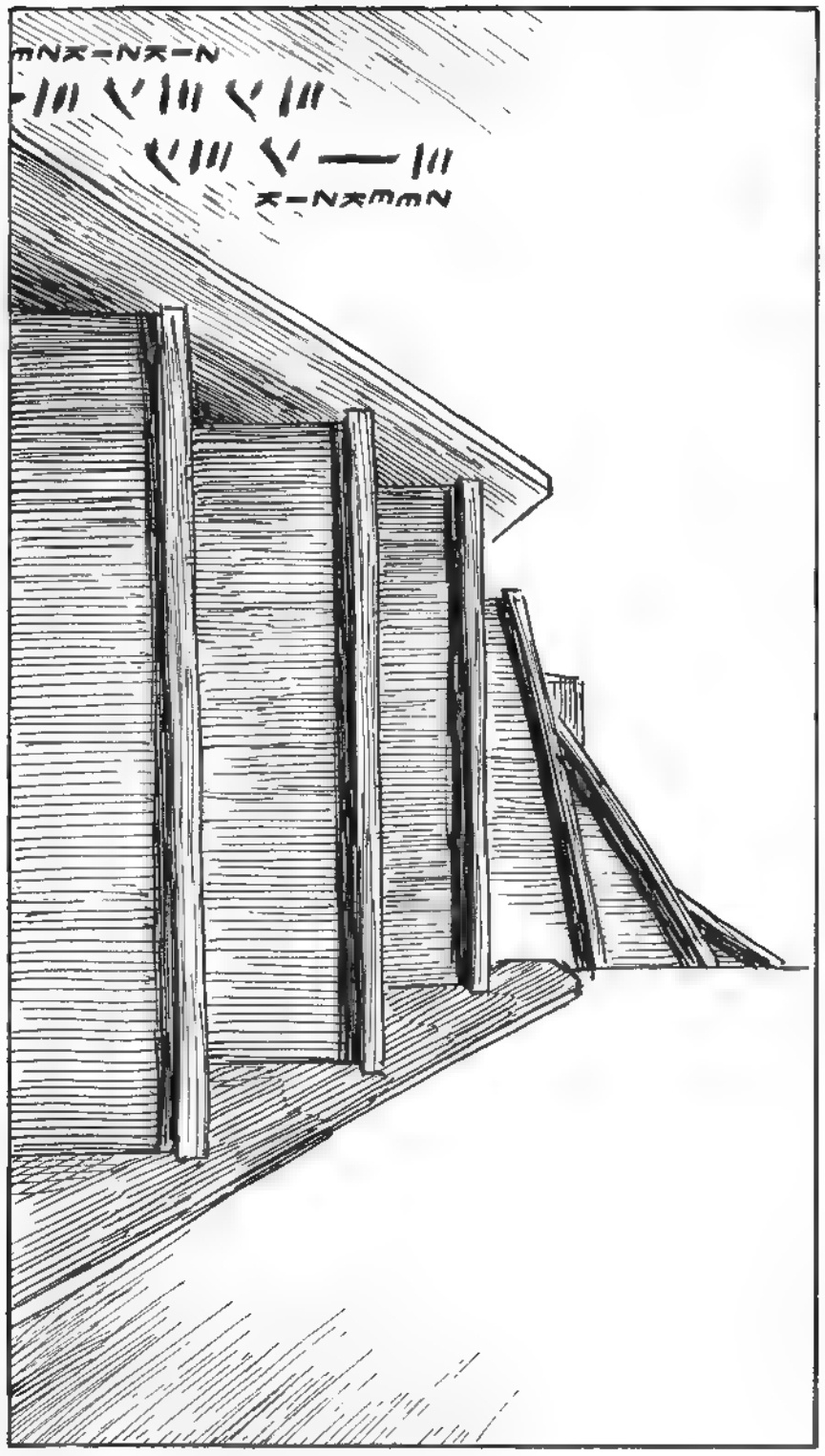
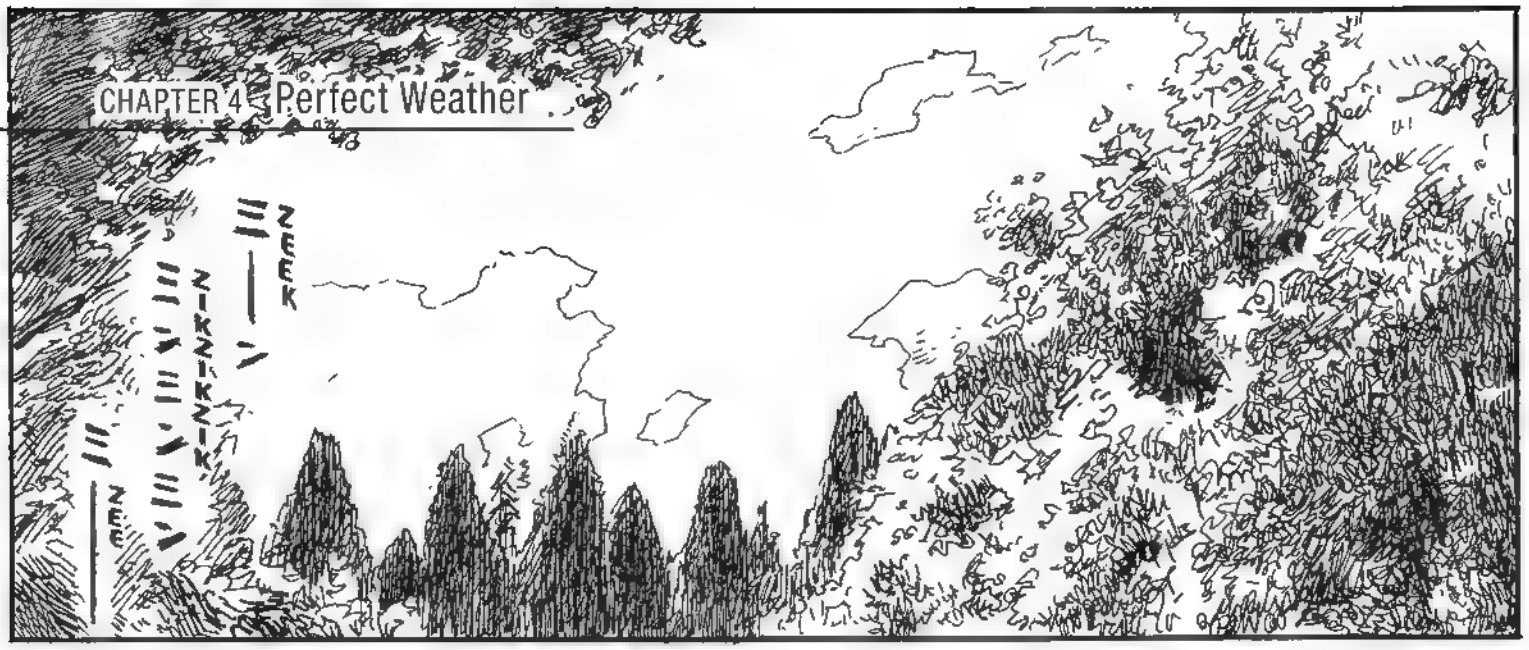
NOPE
...

NOTHING
MUCH.

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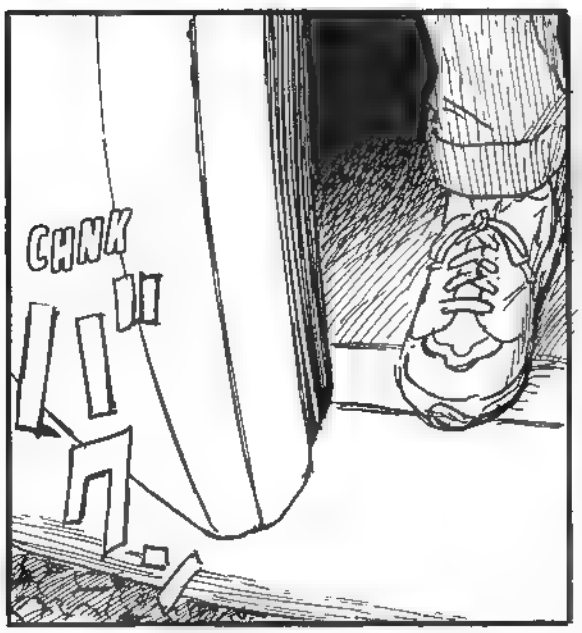
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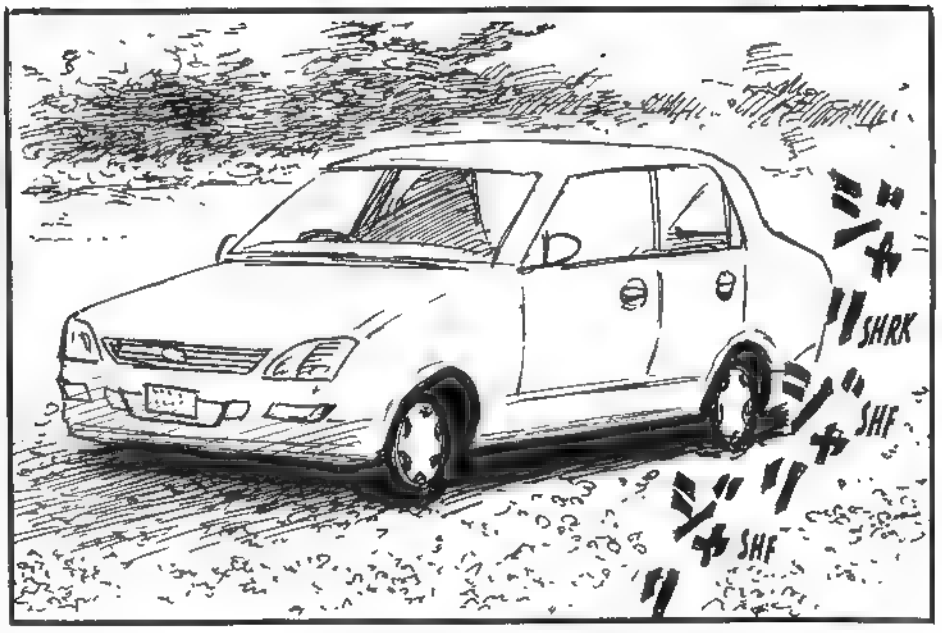
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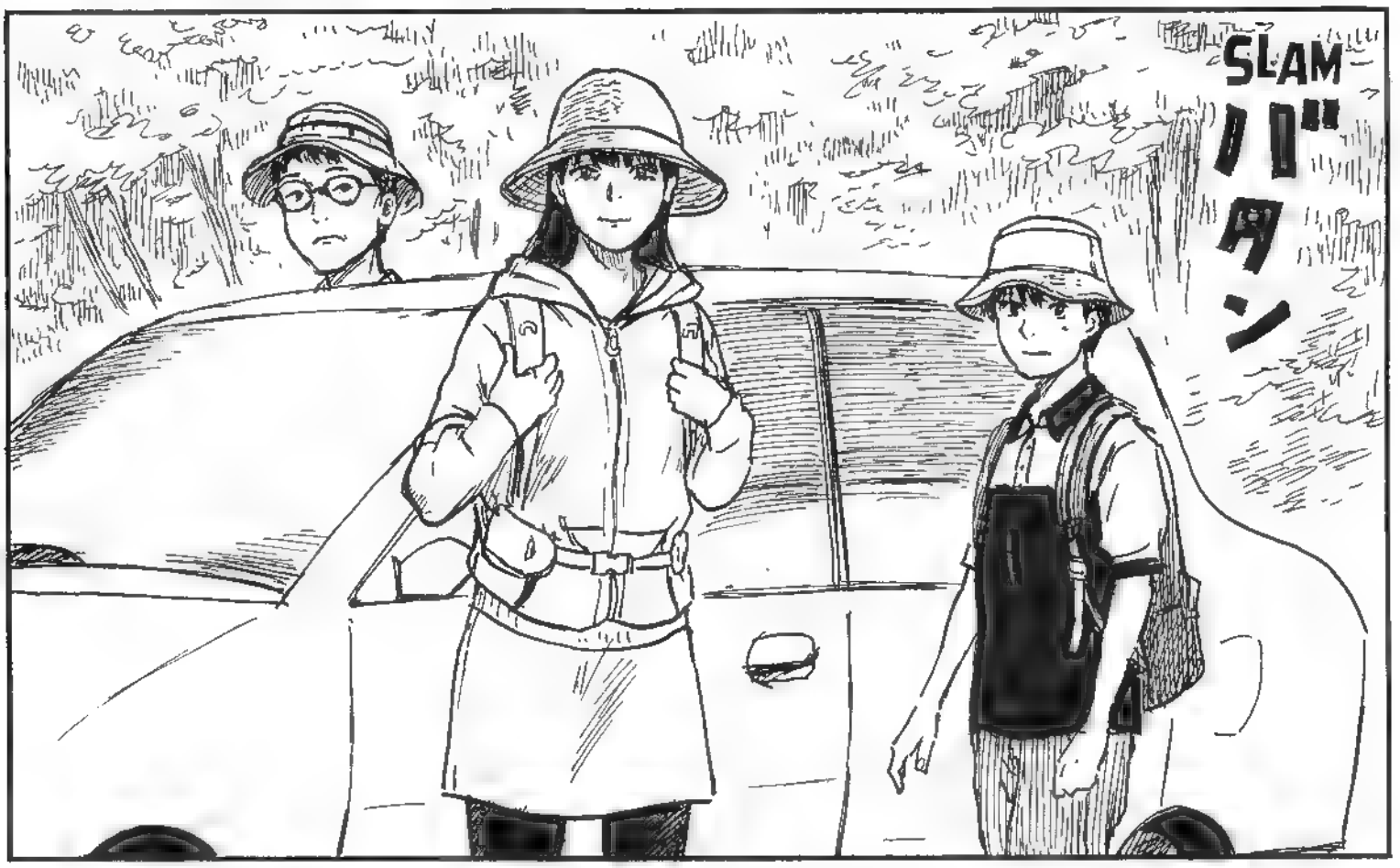
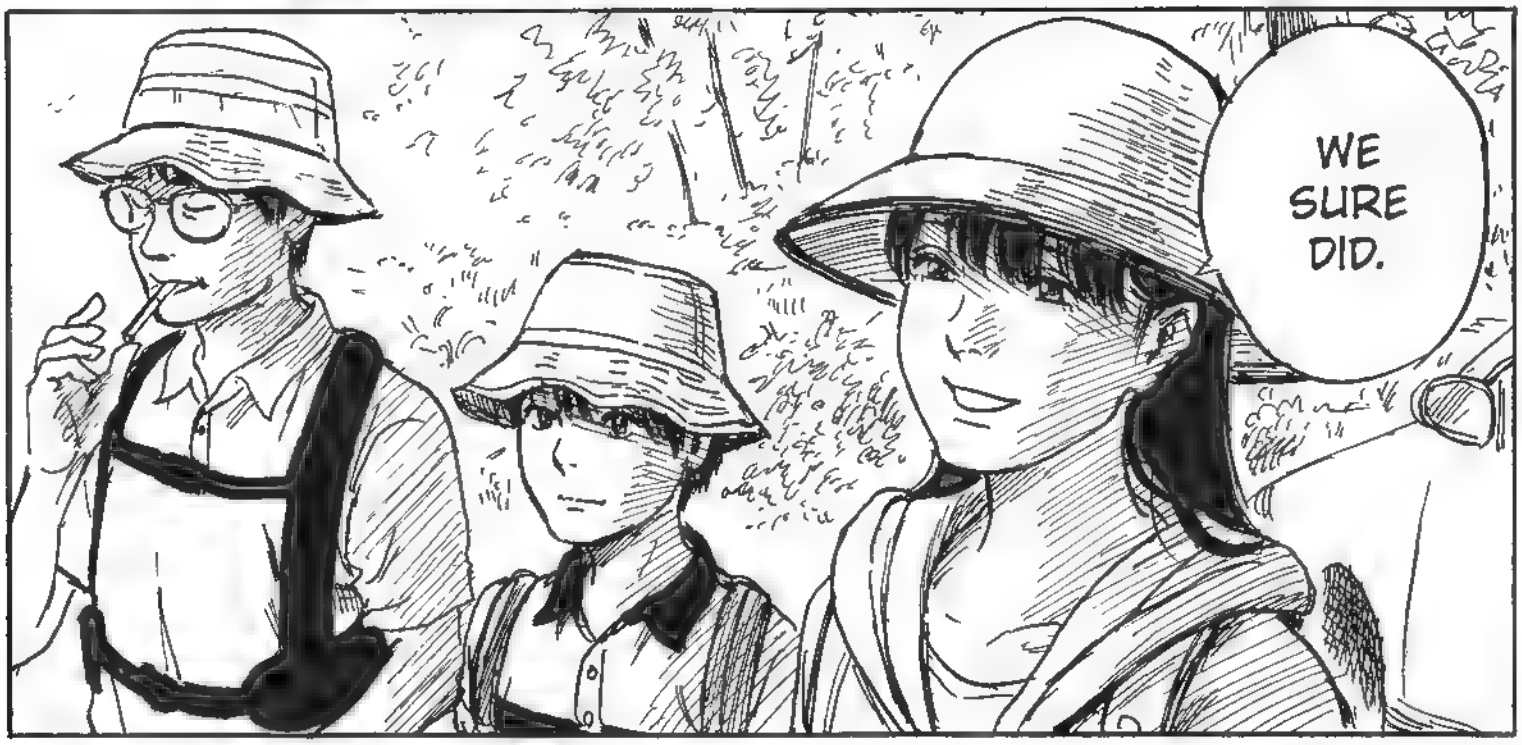

SLAM
バタン

WE REALLY LUCKED OUT WITH THIS WEATHER.

YOU SAID IT!


WE SURE DID.

HA HA,

I'VE GOT AN EXTRA ONE. YOU WANT TO TRY IT?

HEY, GRAND-PA!

THOSE STICKS ARE COOL!

AWRIGHT!

OHHH, I THINK I'LL BE ALL RIGHT.

ICHIRO, YOU HAVEN'T BEEN GETTING ENOUGH EXERCISE, HAVE YOU?

BETTER WATCH OUT.

OH, YOU!

JUST THINK OF THE GREAT DINNER WAITING FOR US AT THE INN!

AND THE NICE COLD BEER!

HA

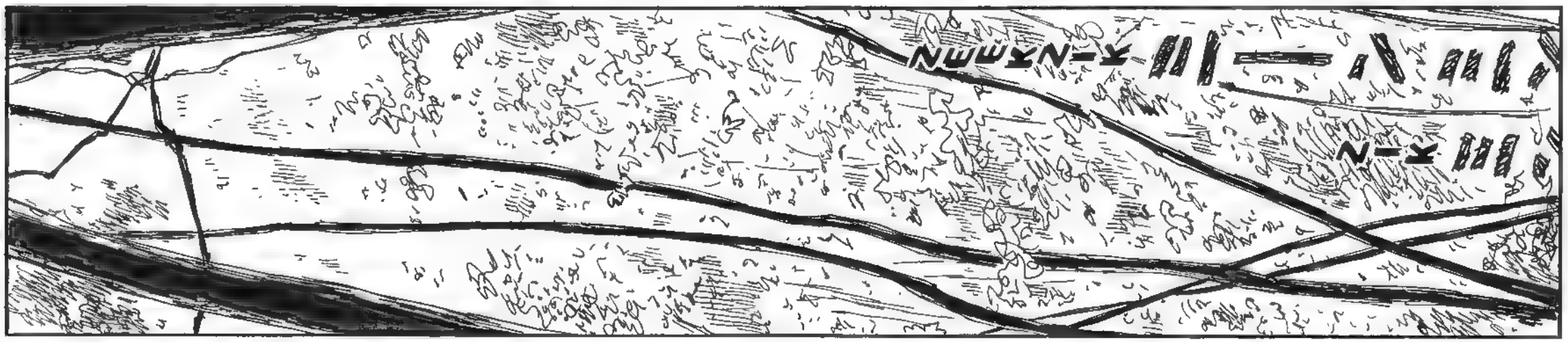
HA

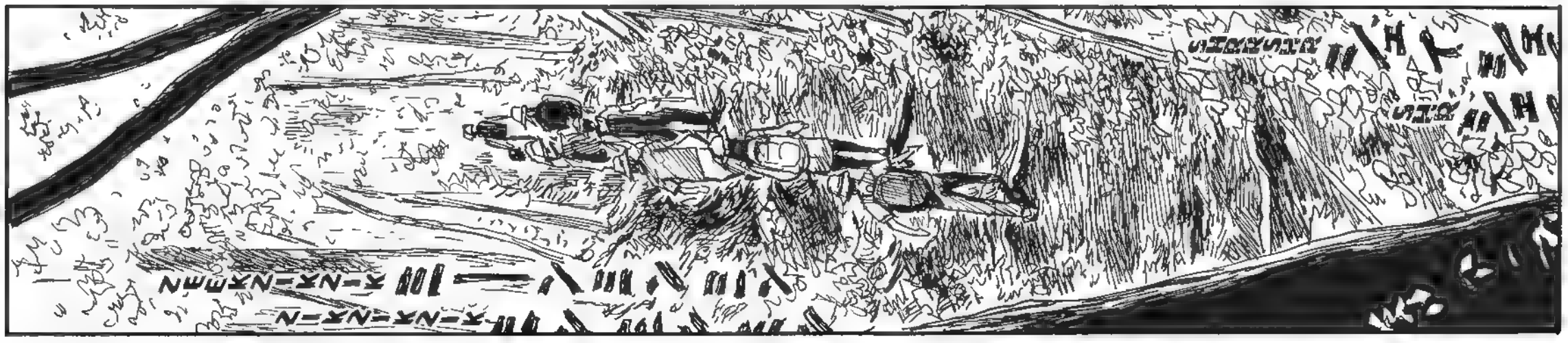
HA

LET'S GET GOIN'!

COME ON!

SHNAK
SHNAK
SHNAK





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HFFF ...

PRETTY TOUGH, HUH.

HUT

HUP.

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ZEEKZIK

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ZIKZIK

HFF

KEEP IT TO-GETHER, NOW.

HFF

HFF

YOU HANG IN THERE, SEI.

OH, I'M FINE.

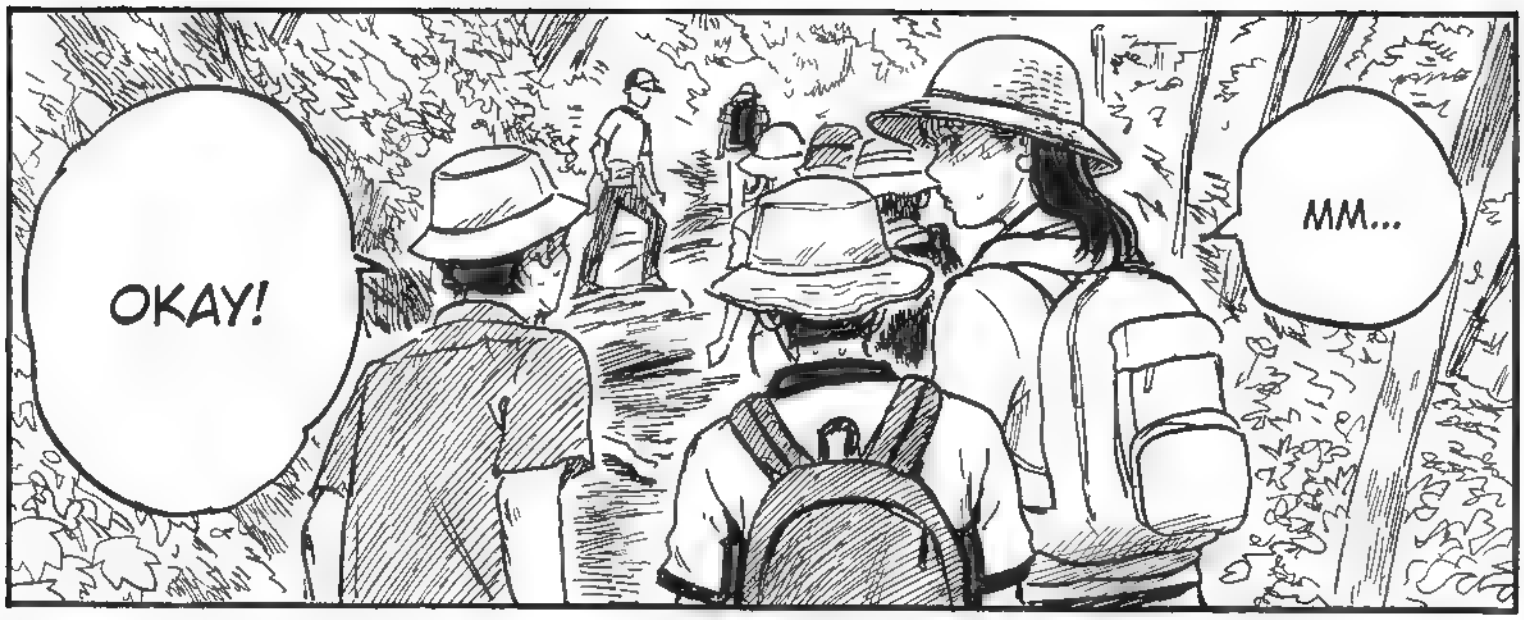
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT ?

MOTHER,

SEIII!

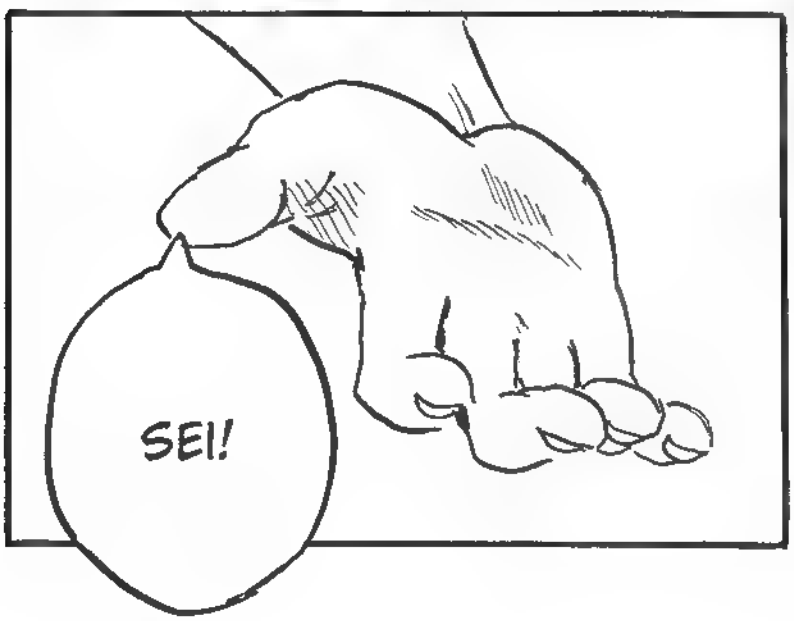
HURRY UP!

MM-HMM.


OKAY!
MM...

OH... BE CAREFUL!
HUP

WOW, SEI.
WAY TO GO!


SEI!

COME ON!

ぬっ CLASP しっ

HUP!

THANKS.

YEAH,

IT'S A PERFECT WALKING STICK, RIGHT ?

HERE, TAKE THIS!

DAMN, LOOK AT GRANDPA GO!

ZEKZIK

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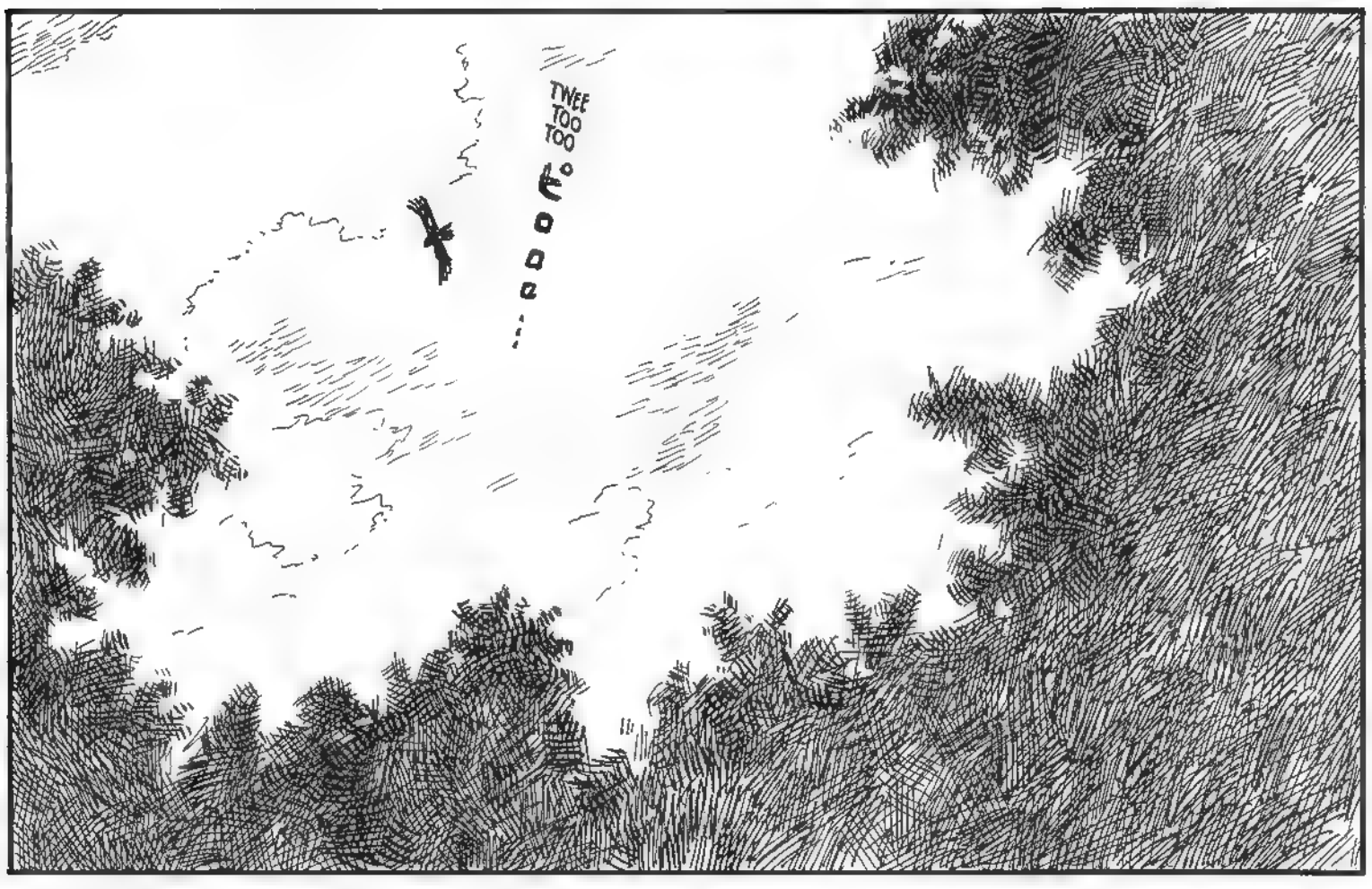

TWEE
TOO
TOO

GLUG

GLUG

PHEW.

ZEEK

ZIKZIKZEE

ZIKZIKZEE

ZEEKZI

HUFF

HUFF

NO, WE'VE STILL GOT A WHILE YET.

WE'RE MORE LIKE A THIRD OF THE WAY.

HOW FAR HAVE WE COME ?

ABOUT HALF-WAY ?

SEIICHI,

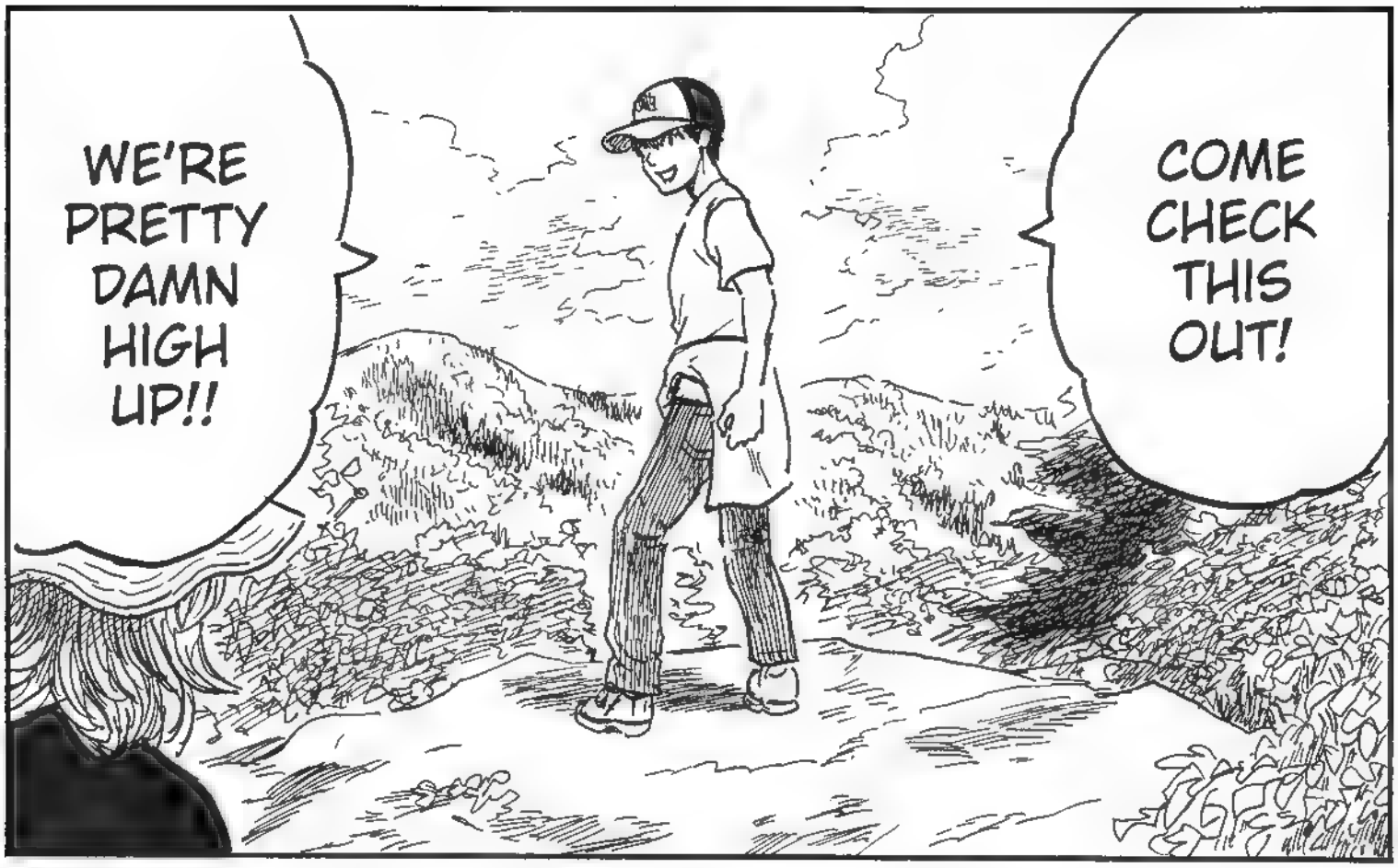
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT ?

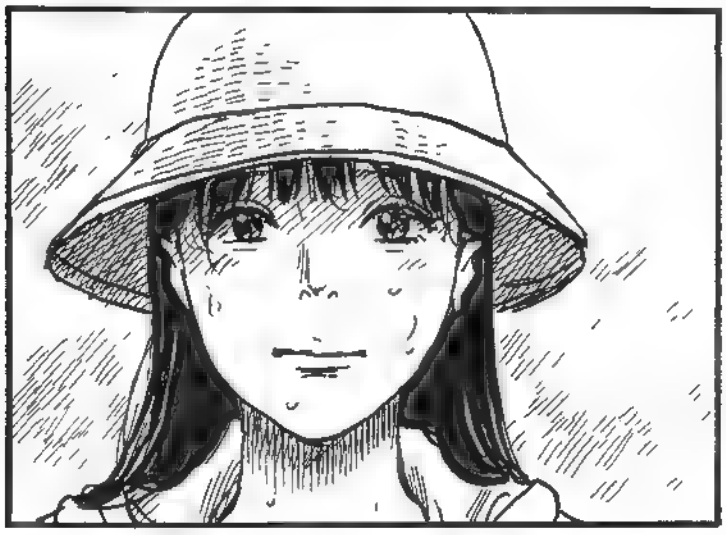
ZIKZIK ZIKZIK

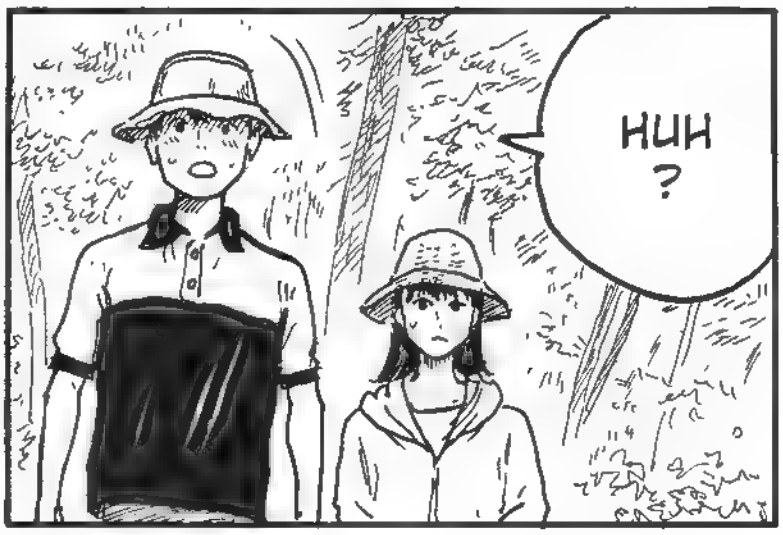
GEEZ.

UH HUH.

SEIII!


WE'RE PRETTY DAMN HIGH UP!!
COME CHECK THIS OUT!

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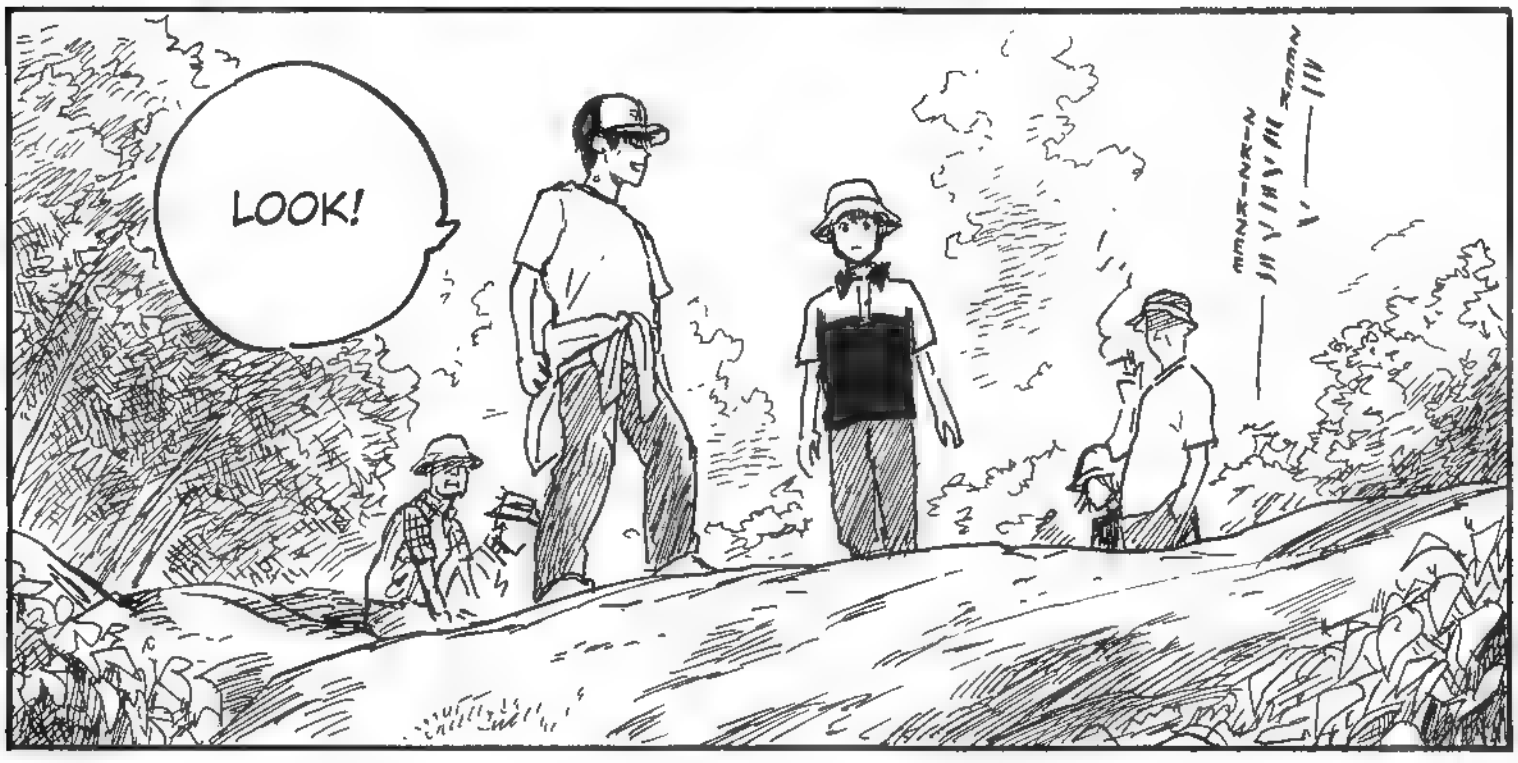

LOOK!

WHOA.

IT'S PRETTY INTENSE!

YOU WANNA COME CLOSER?

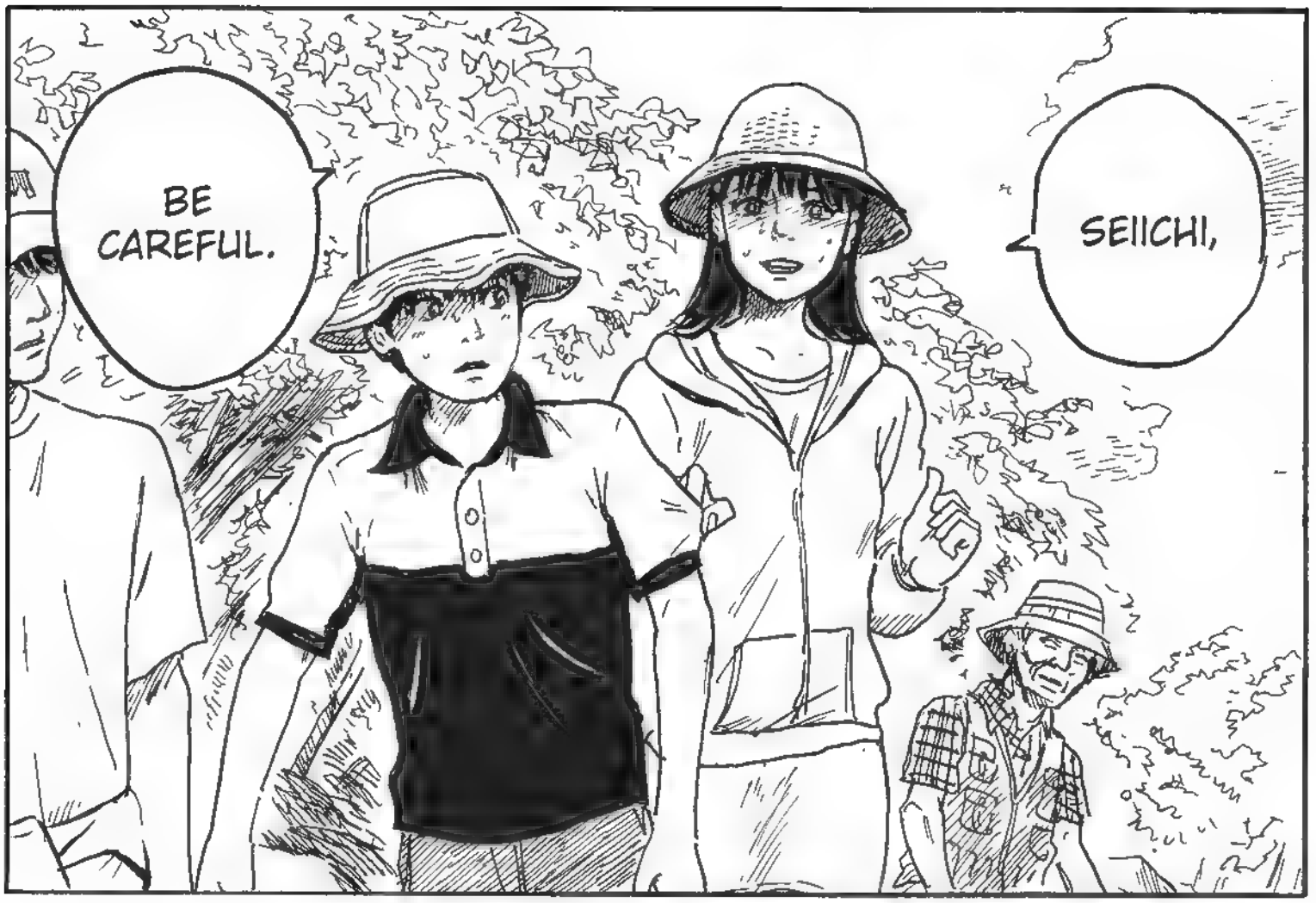
NO KIDDING!

TUG

!

SHF

UH... OKAY...


BE CAREFUL.
SEIICHI,

WELL...

SEIKO!
IT'S FIIINE!

HUH ?

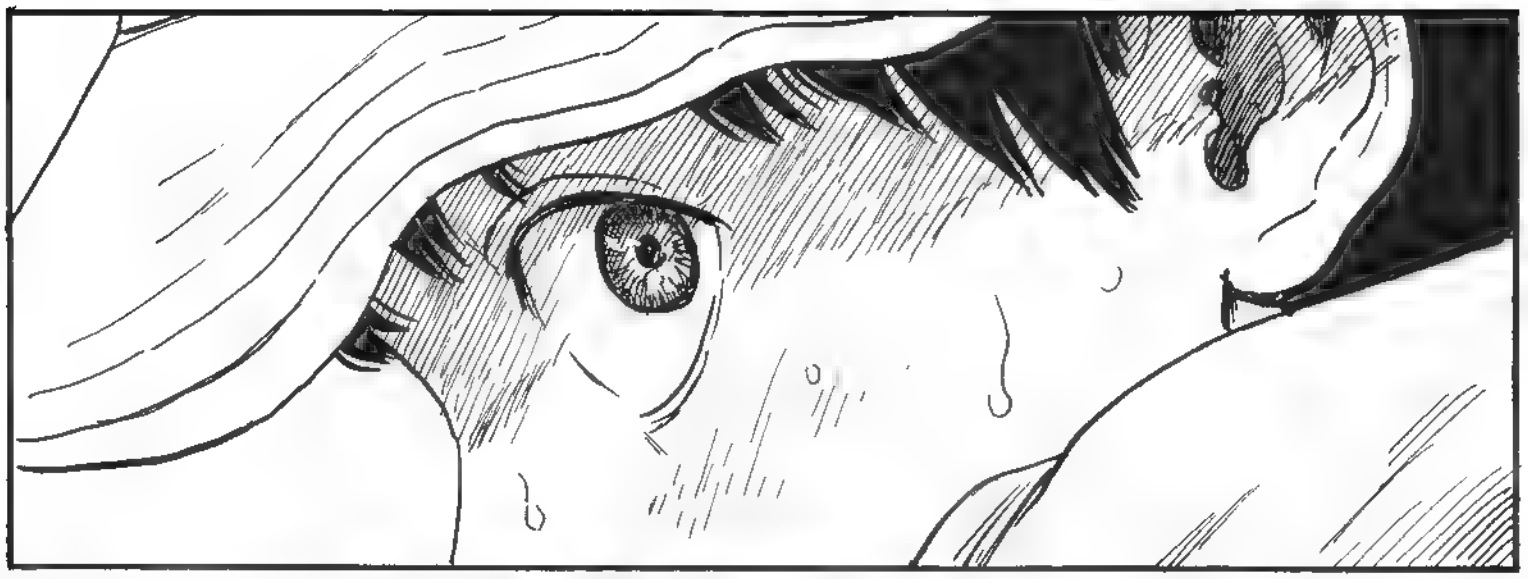
LOOK OVER THERE!

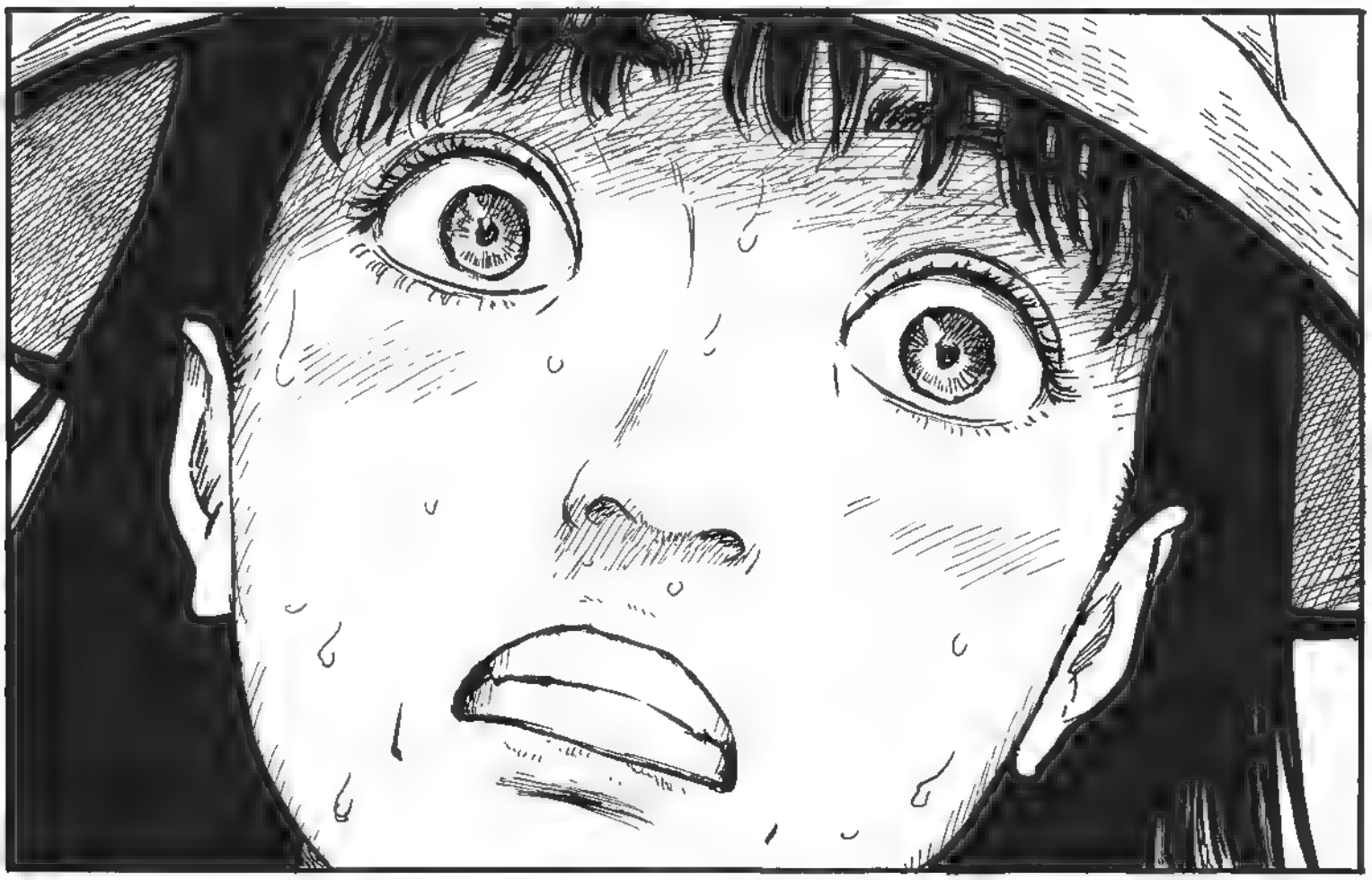
HEY, SEI!

BFF

BOOM!

AAH...





AH HA
HA HA
HA HA!

YOU REALLY ARE OVER-PROTEC-TIVE!!

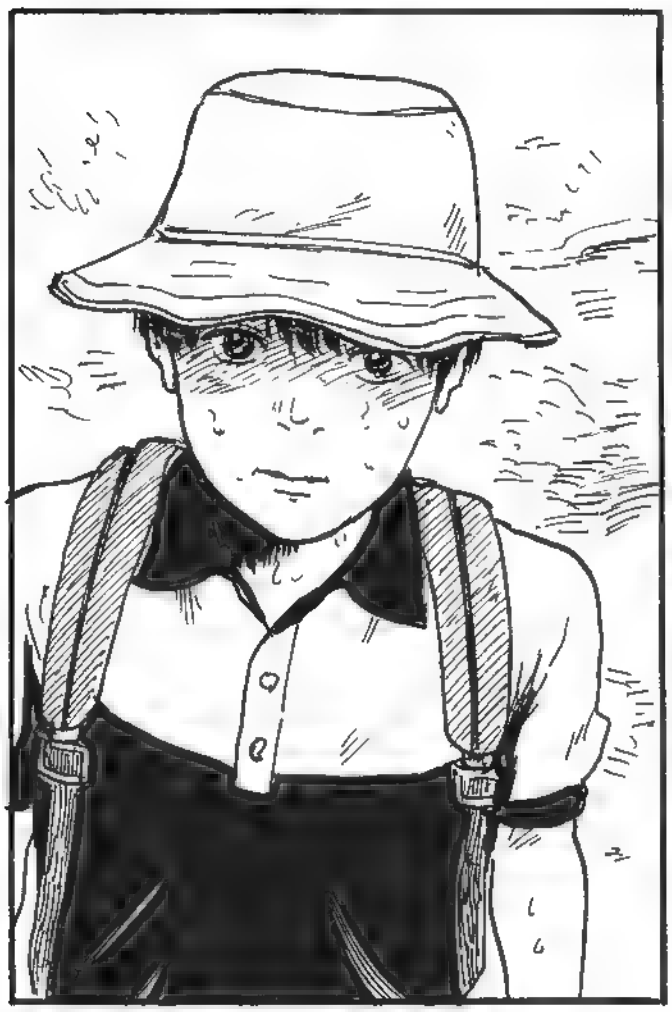
WHAT ARE YOU DOING, SEIKO ?!

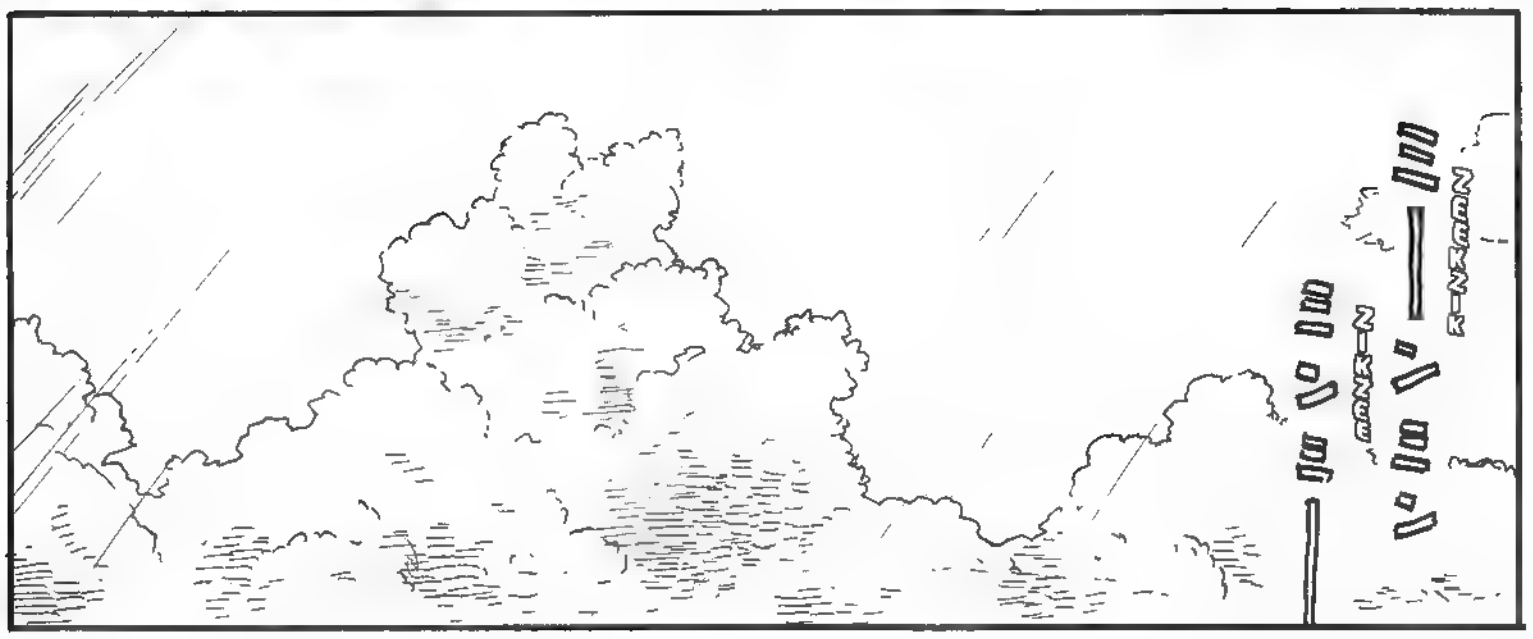
HEH HEH!

HA HA HA!

SORRY...
...OH, HAHA!
LET'S GET BACK ON THE TRAIL!
WELL, TIME'S A WASTIN'.

HERE WE GO.
HUP

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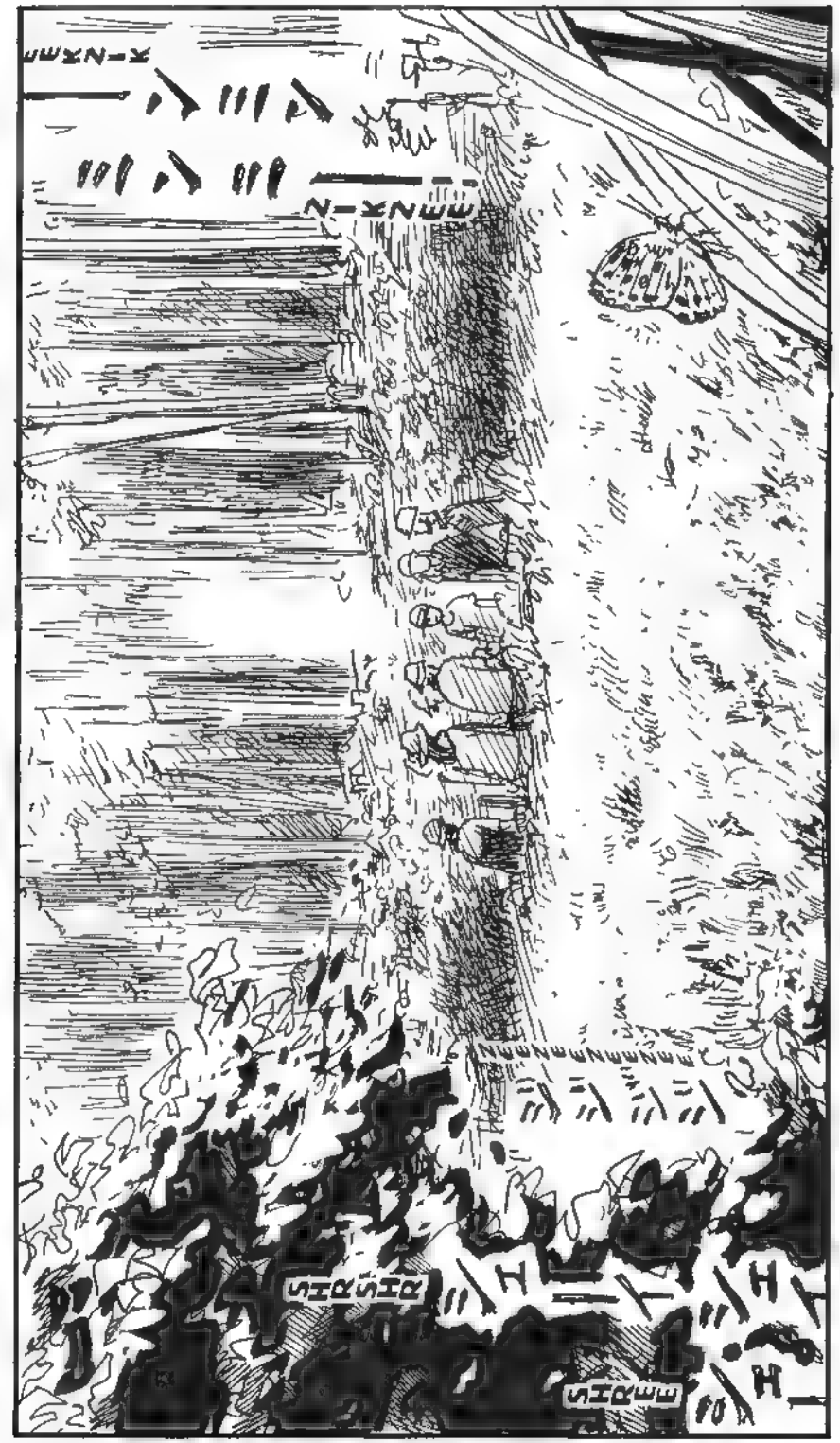

CHEEP CHEEP
CHEEP CHEEP
CHAPTER 5
A Beautiful Place
WHEEE!
WHEEE!

THAT'S RIDICULOUS!

AH HA HA HA

YEAH, WHAT CAN YOU DO!

HA HA HA HA

THE STUFF YOU GOTTA PUT UP WITH!

PHEWWWW

HEH HEH HEH

AH
HA
HA
HA
HA

HA
HA
HA

OVER-
PROTECTIVE
!!

YOU
REALLY
ARE

SEIICHI.

OH... THANKS,

I'M FULL.

STILL HUNGRY ?

THERE'S ANOTHER TUNA-MAYO.

OKAY.

SHF

UH...

SEI,

LET'S GO TAKE A PISS.

GO OFF AND DO IT OVER THERE!

UH...

SURE.

LET'S GO!

ZEEKZIK

ZIKZIKZEE

ZEEKZIK

ZIKZIKZEE

シェイシェイシェイ

SHRRSHRRSHRR

HEY,
HEY,

LET'S CROSS SWORDS!

ITO

SPLSH

SPLSH

HERE WE GOOOO!

HUH ?!

TWIK

ぐいっ

HMPH.

WHY'D YOU MOVE AWAY?

WHAT'S YOUR PROB-LEM ?

... EXPLORE ?

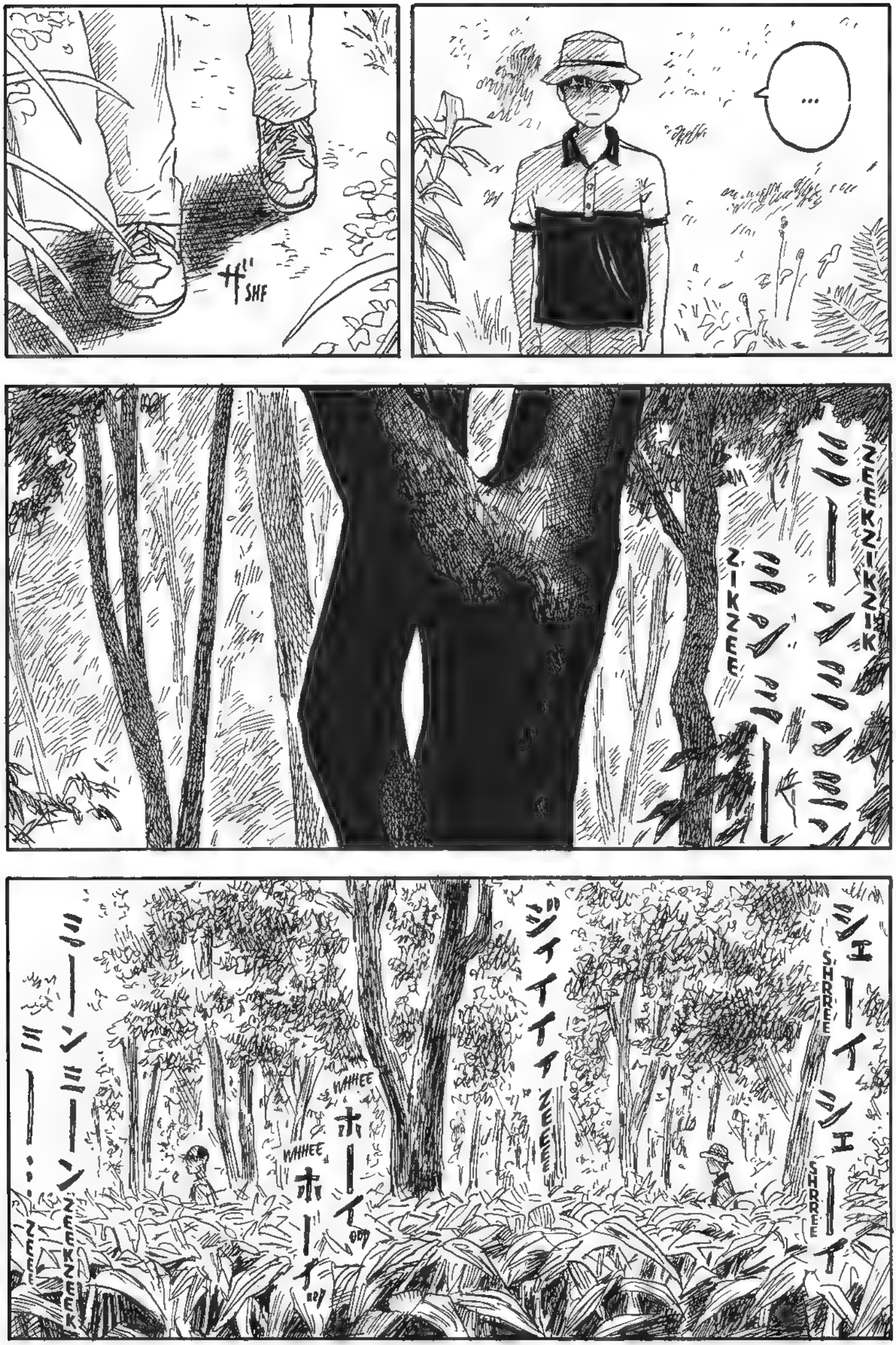
I DON'T THINK SO... LET'S JUST GO BACK.

LET'S EXPLORE A LITTLE!

OKAY THEN,

COME ON, LET'S GO!

DON'T BE LIKE THAT!


SHF
...
ZEEKZIKZIK
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WAHEE
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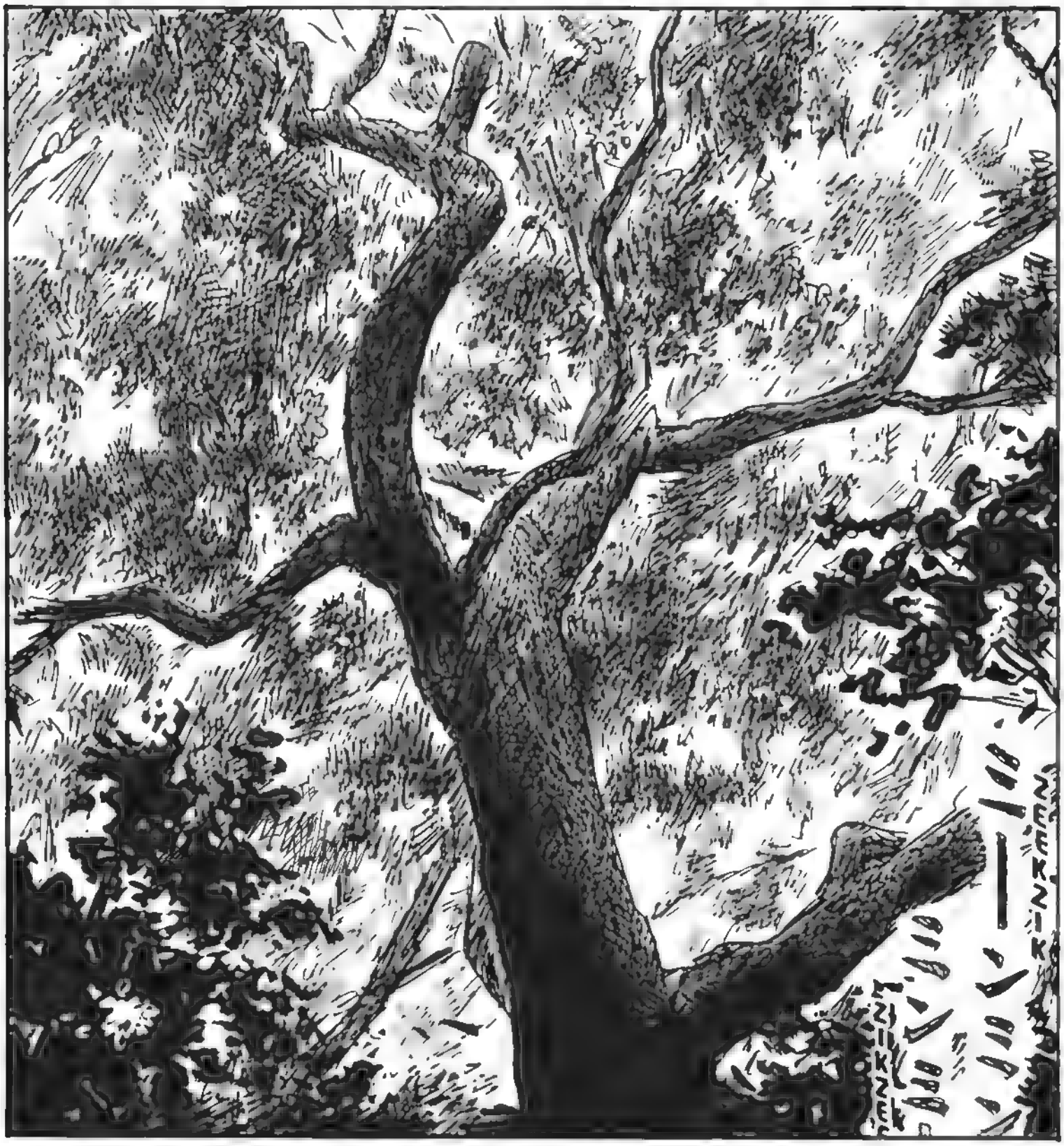
ZEE

ミーンミンミンミーン
ZEEEEEEE-ZEEEEEE

HURRY UP!


ミーンミンミンミーン
ZEEEEEEE-ZEEEEEE

ZEEK
ZIKZIK
ZEEKZIKZIK
ZIKZEE

CHECK IT OUT!

SEIII!

RUSTLE

OVER HERE!

WE'RE EVEN HIGHER UP THAN BEFORE! IT'S MAJORLY PRETTY!

COME LOOK!

NO WAY!

...

JUST GET OVER HERE ALREADY!

WHAT?! WHY NOT?!

YOU'RE GONNA PUSH ME AGAIN LIKE YOU DID BEFORE!

'CAUSE...

I'M SORRY, OKAY?

WHAT? YOU'RE MAD ABOUT THAT?!

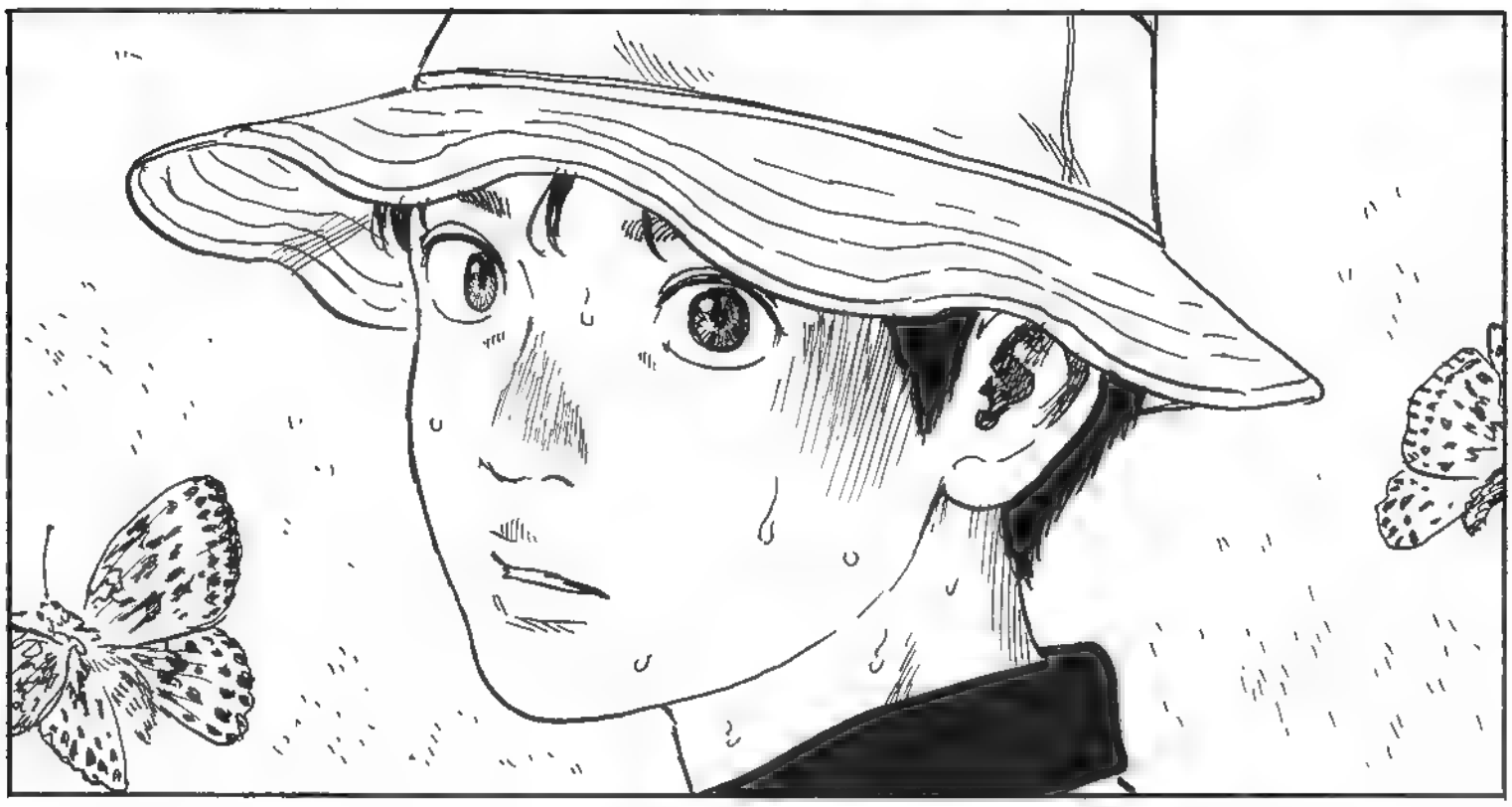
...

IF YOU'VE GOT SOMETHING TO SAY, JUST SPIT IT OUT!!

...WHAT'RE YOU GOING ALL QUIET FOR?!

COME ON!!

JUST SAY IT!!



WHAT ARE YOU DOING ?

SEI,

AUNTIE ?!

WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE,

UH...

SHIGE, YOU'D BETTER NOT STAND OVER THERE. IT'S DANGEROUS.

WELL, YOU WERE TAKING SO LONG...

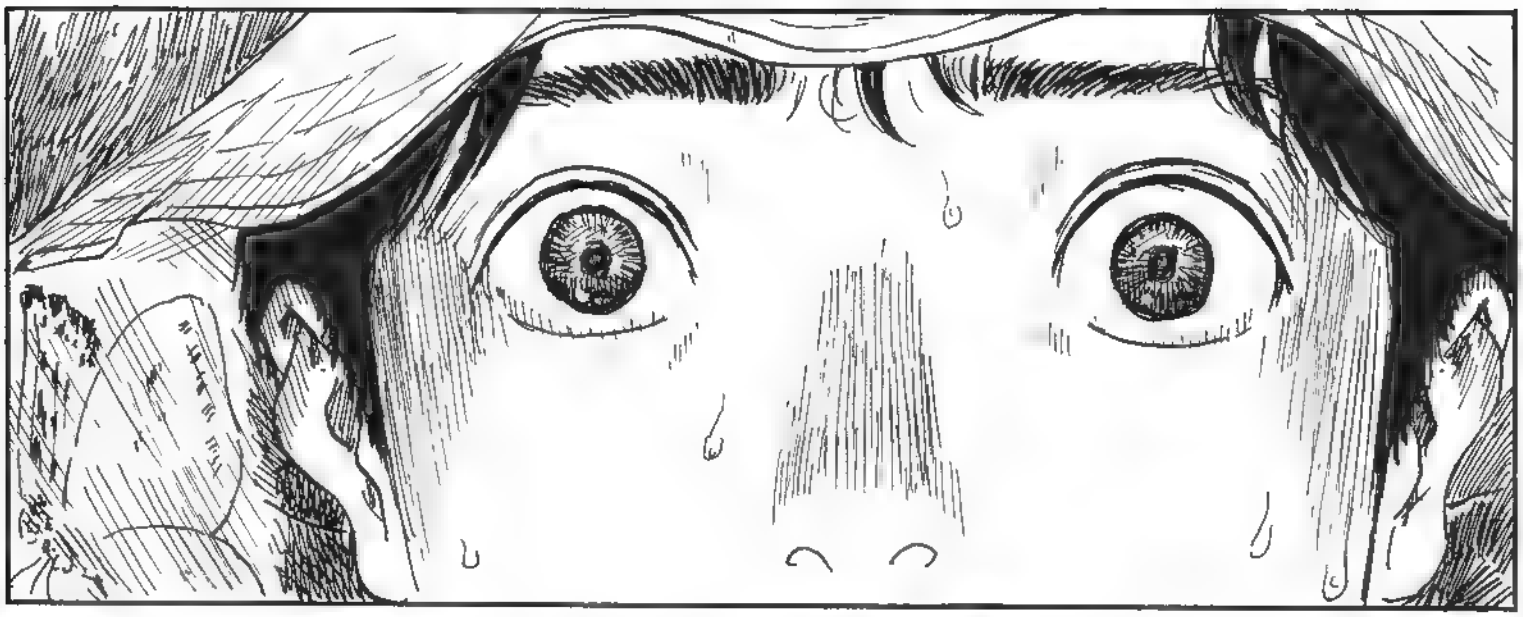
WOOOOo
WHAT'RE YOU TALKIN' ABOUT ?!
MOM WAS RIGHT, YOU'RE SO OVER-PROTECTIVE!
SHIGE!
STOP IT, THAT'S DANGER-OUS!

WOBBLE
フラ
AH!
SHIGE!!

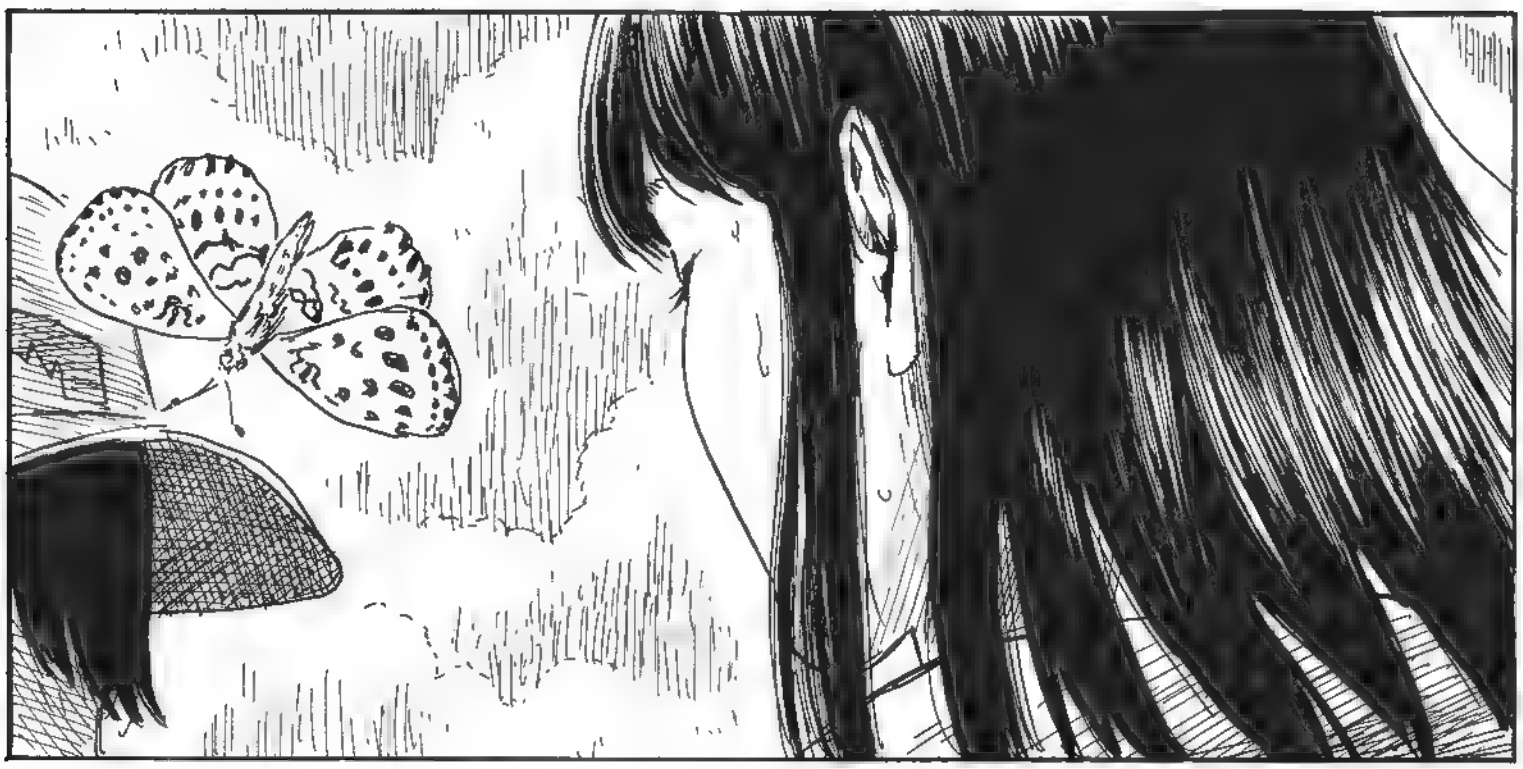
PHEW...

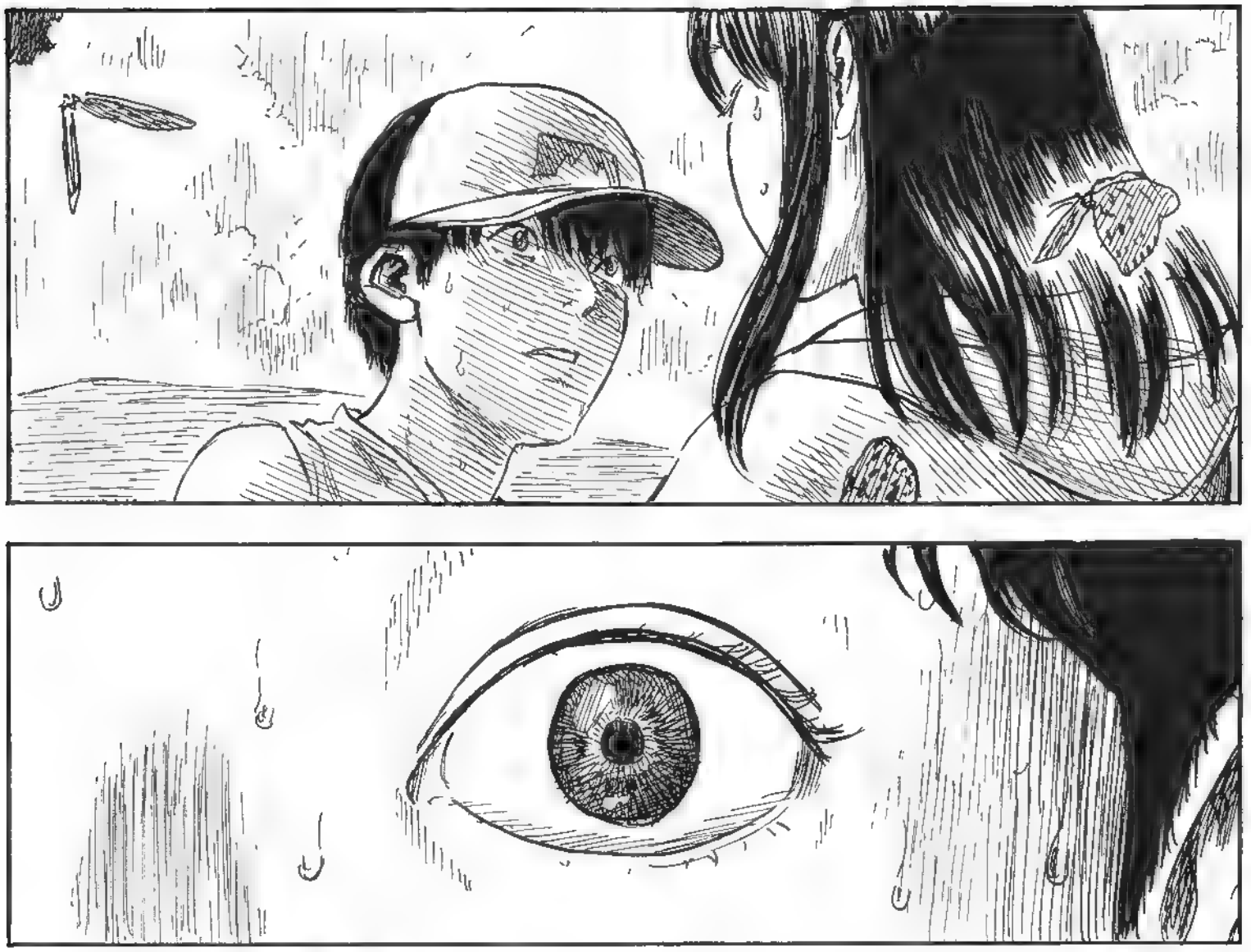
DIDN'T I TELL YOU?

SHIGE...



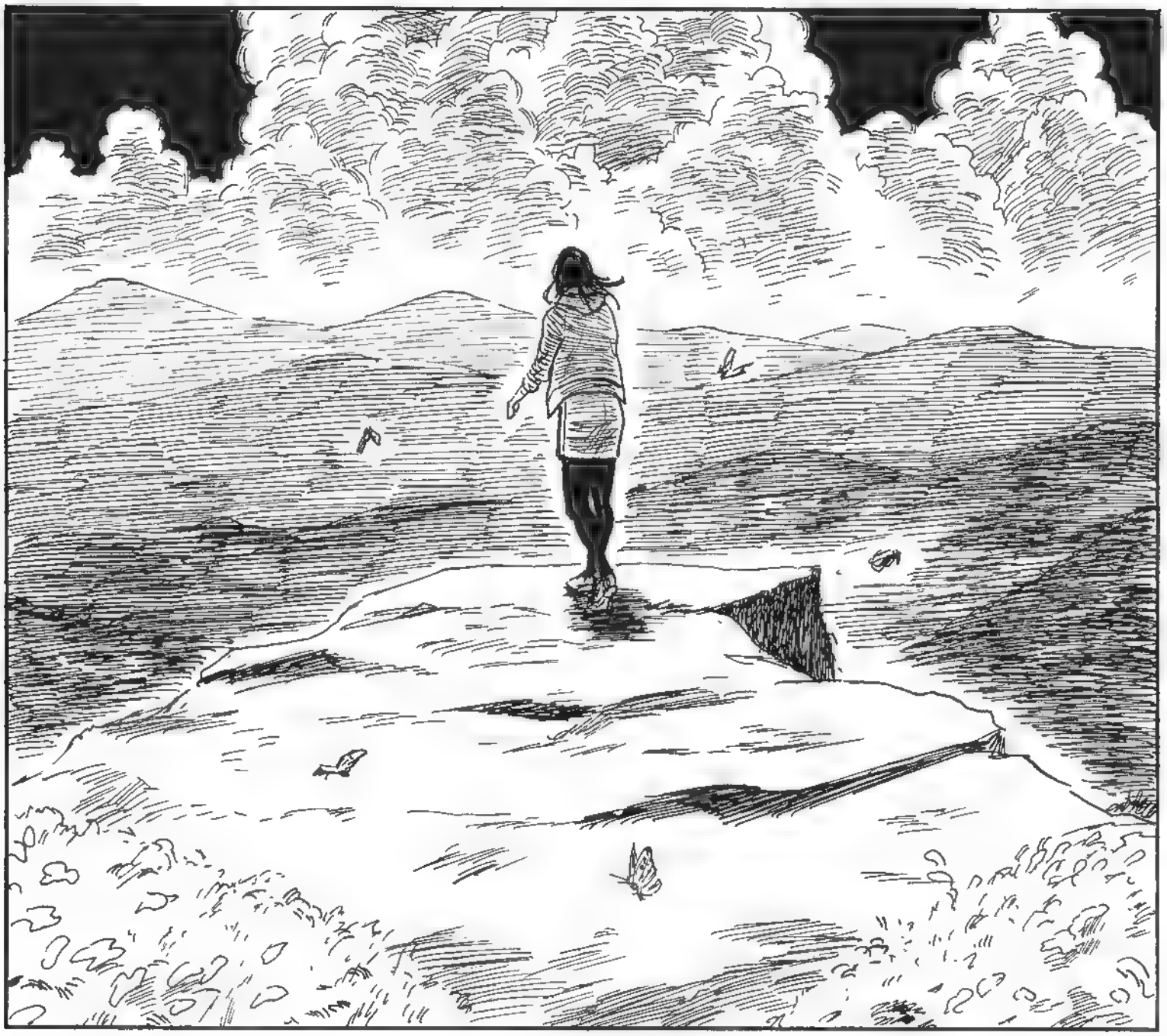
I SAID I WAS FINE...
...OH, SHUT UP!

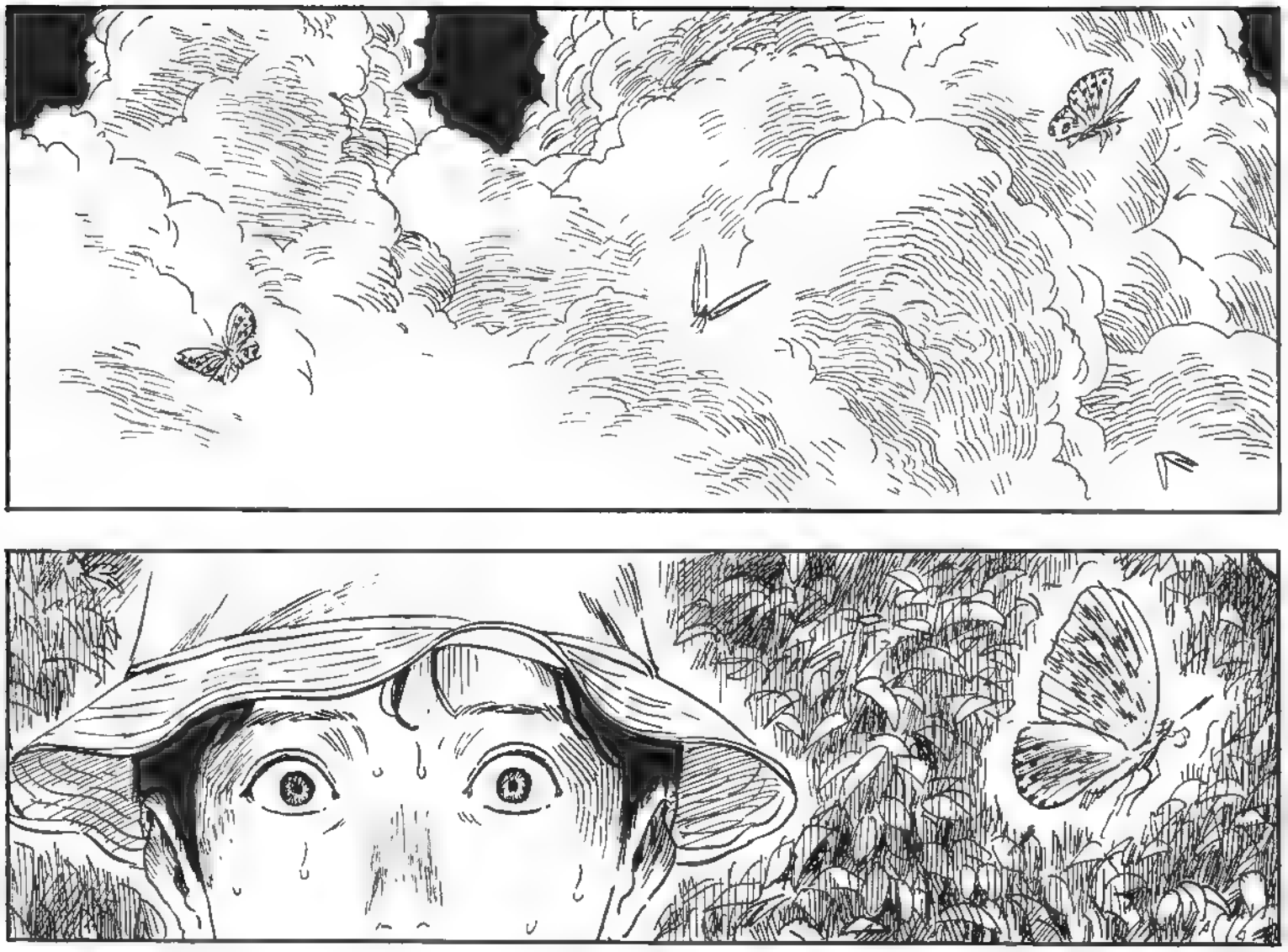




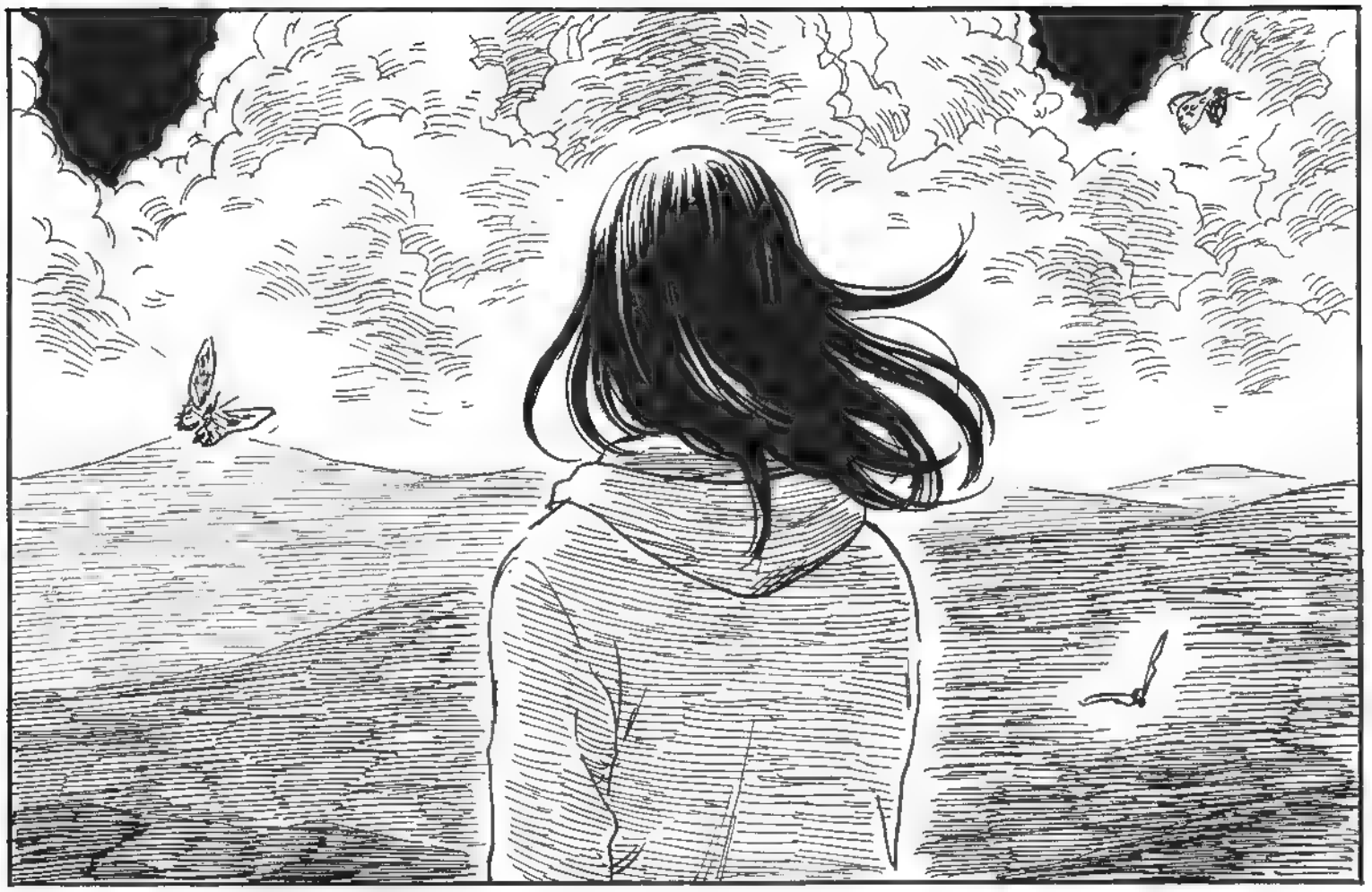
AUNTIE?

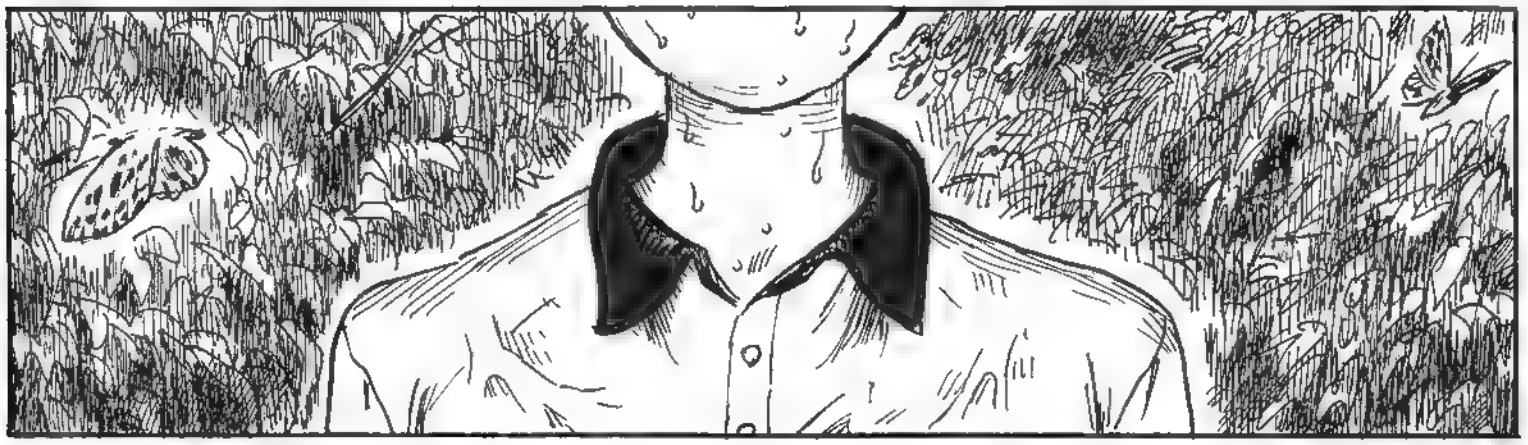
AUNTIE...?

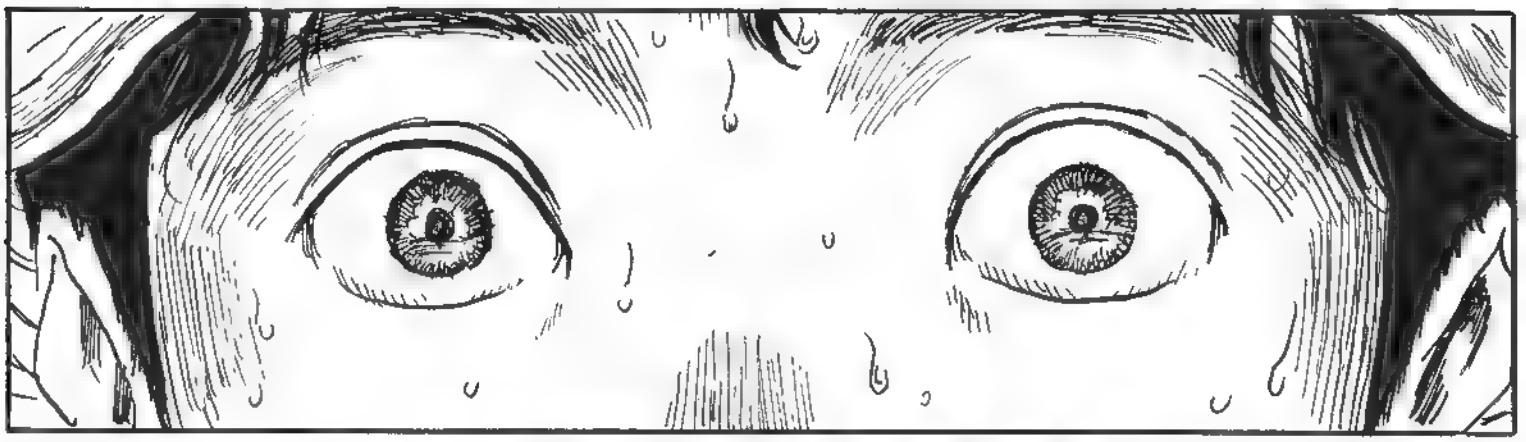


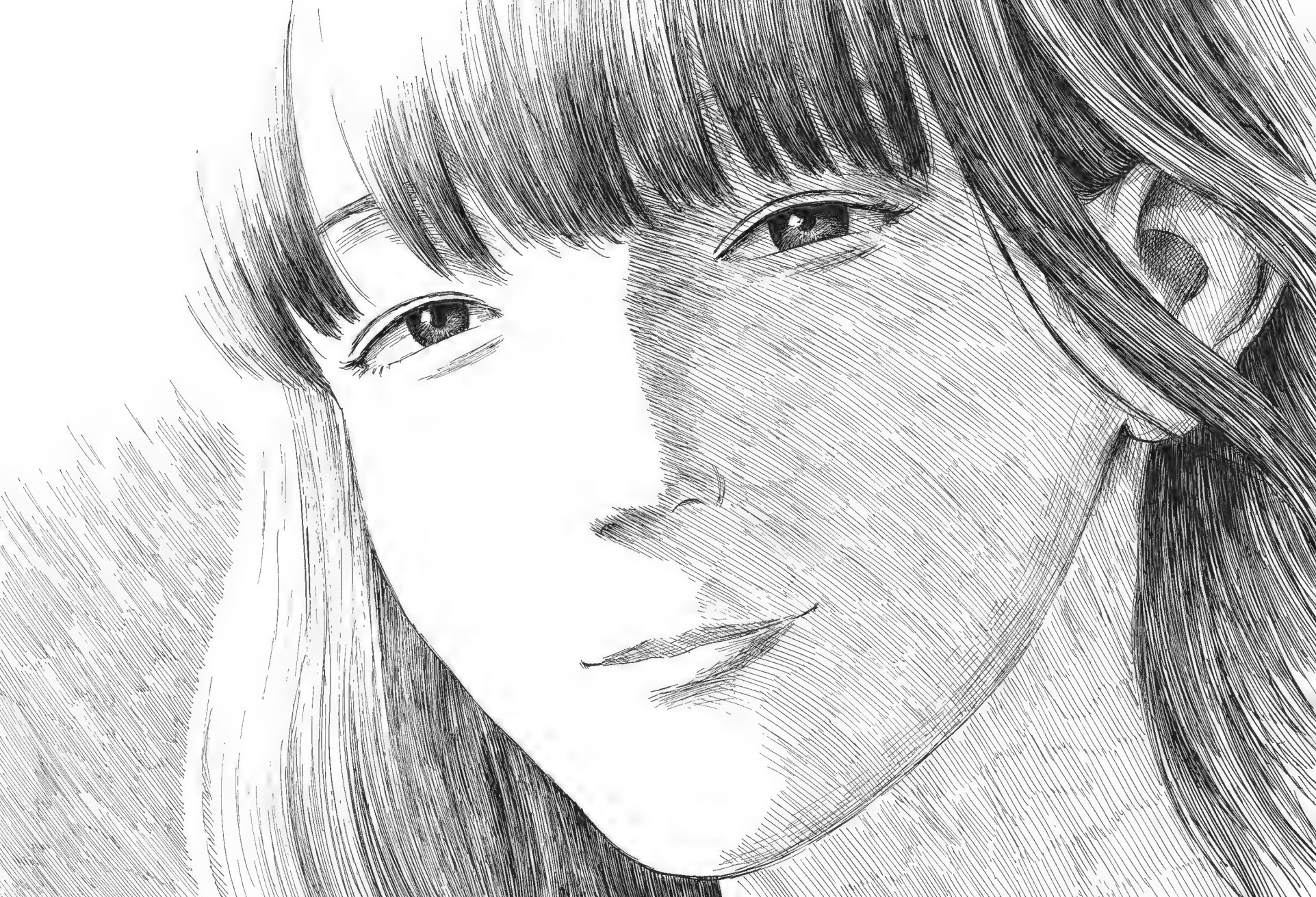


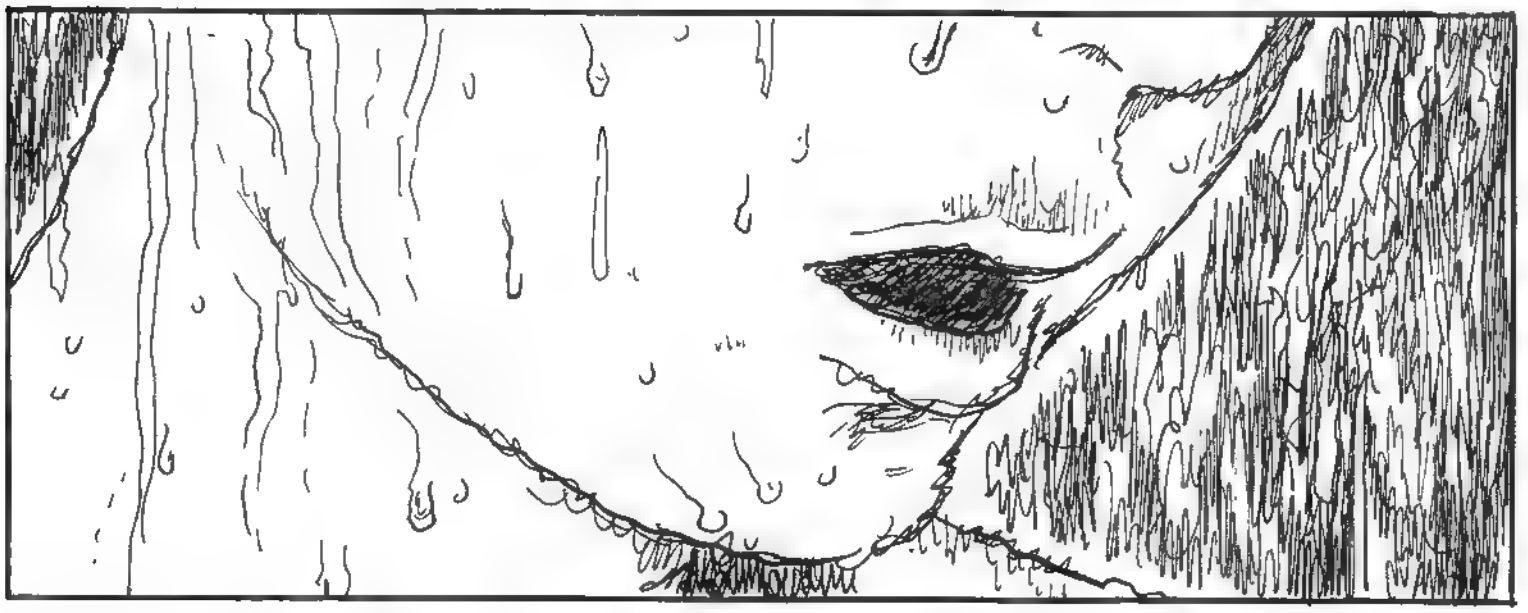
GAGH!
GOKU











AAAAAH!

AAH...

SHIGE... SHIGE, HE...

SEI...

GO...!

GO... GET THE OTHERS ...!

SEI...

HURRY ...!

SHHF

RUSTLE
RUSTLE

ZEEKZIK
ミ――ンミンミ
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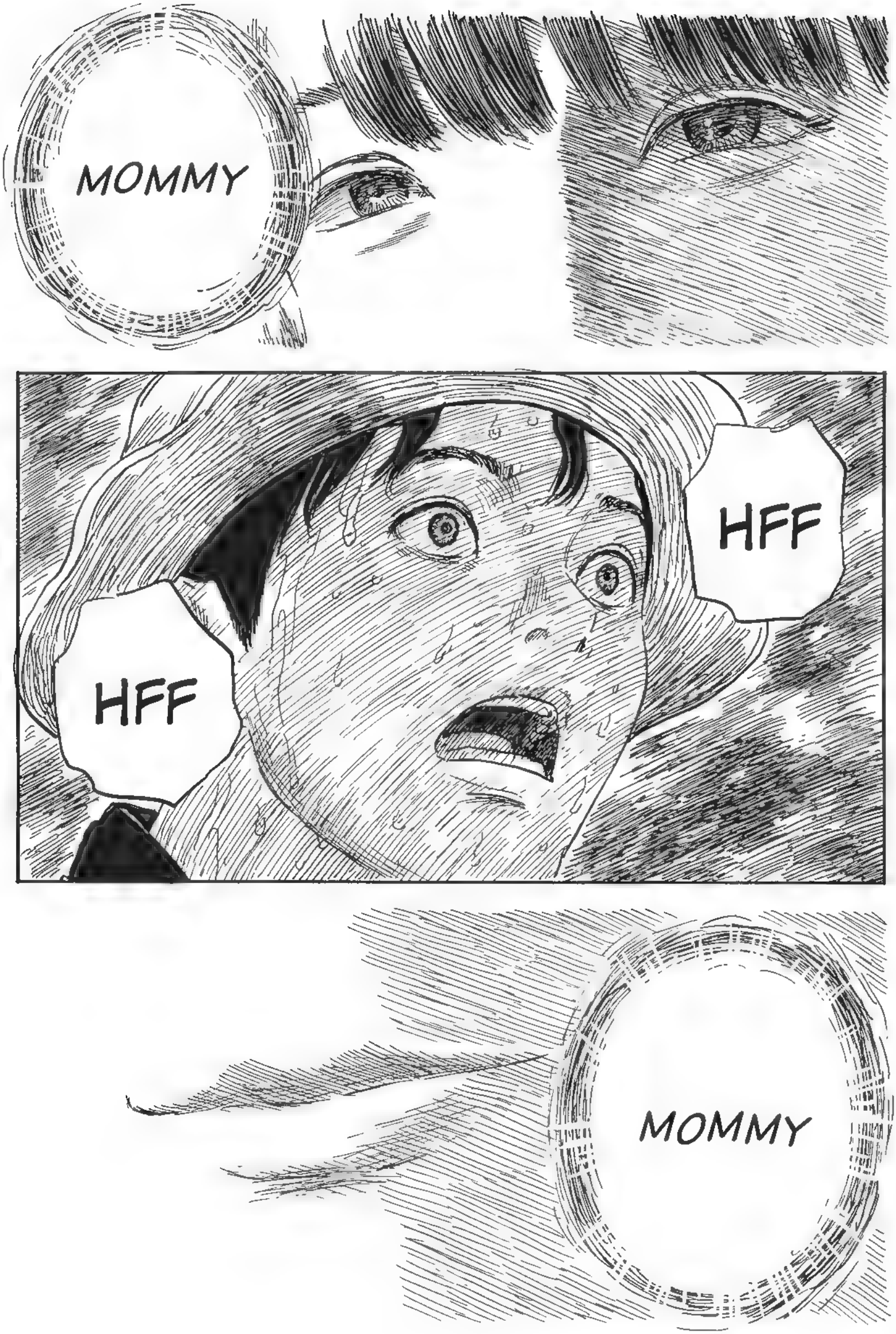
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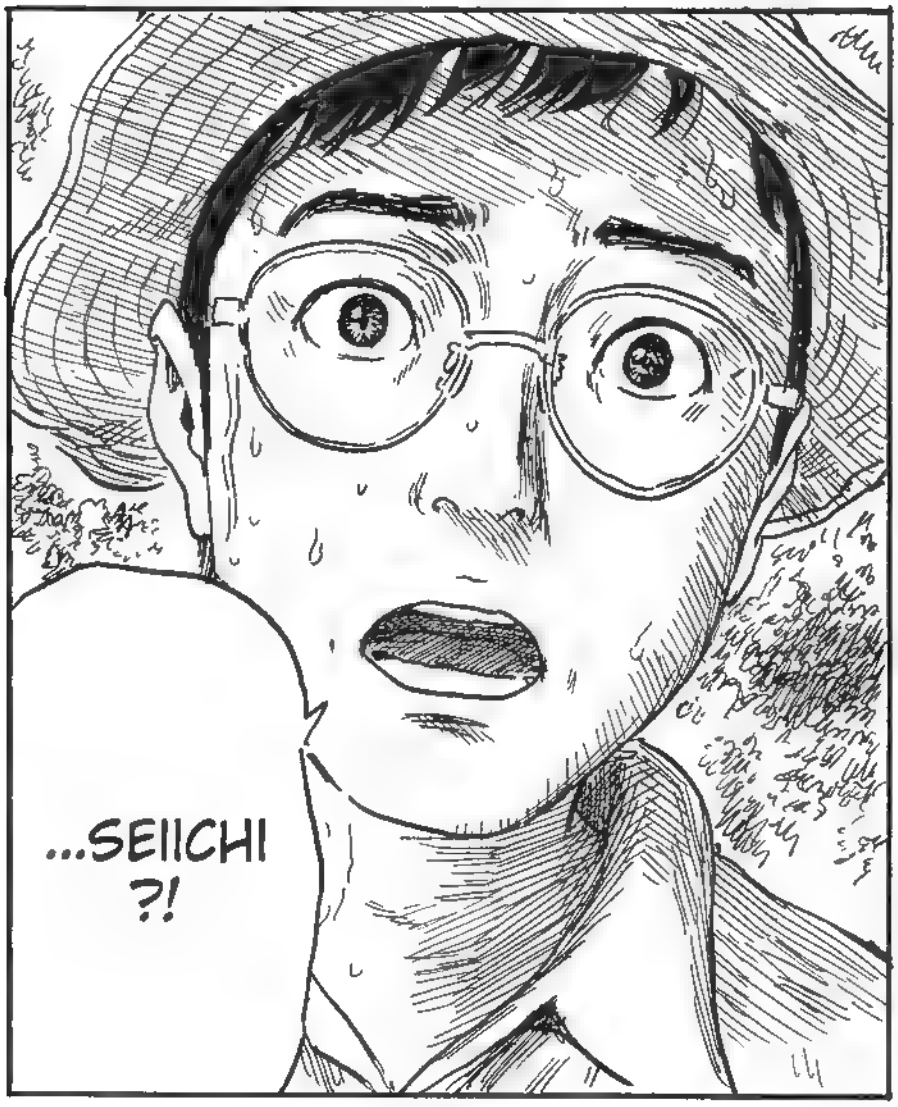
HFF
MOMMY

SHHF


...SEIICHI
?!

HFF!

WE HEARD A SCREAM...

WHAT HAPPENED ?!

HFF

UHM...

HFFH ...

HFF

HUFF

...SH-

SHIGE...

FELL... OFF THE CLIFF...

NO...

SHOOM
ヒュー

SHIGERU!!

SHIGERU!!

SHF

SHF

SHF

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SEIICHI!

THIS WAY?!

RUSTLE

HFF

HFF

SHF

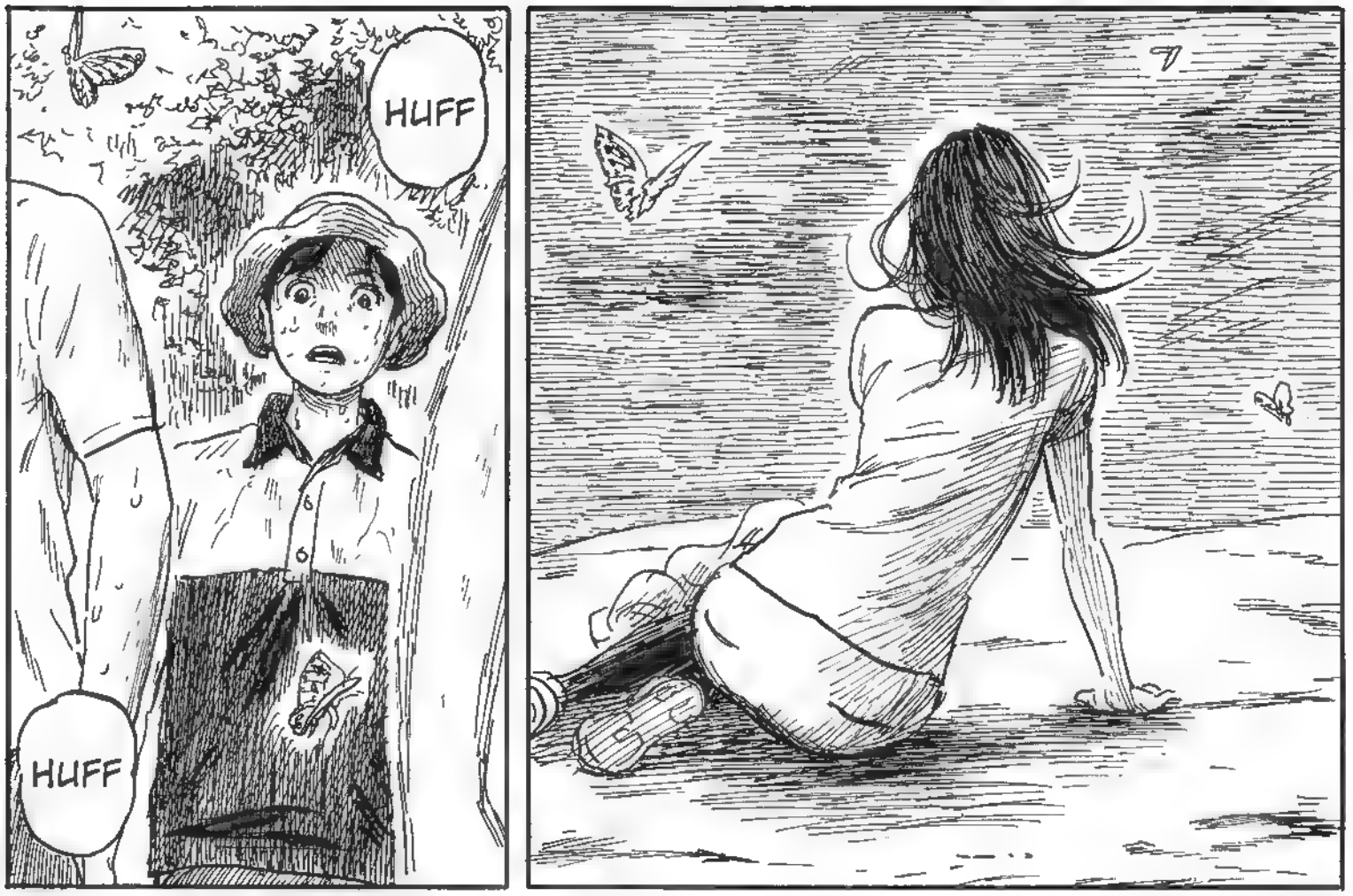
UH... HUH

HFF

HFF

SHF

SHF


HUFF
HUFF

GRAB

WHERE'S SHIGERU ?!

SEIKO !!

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HUFF
GAPE
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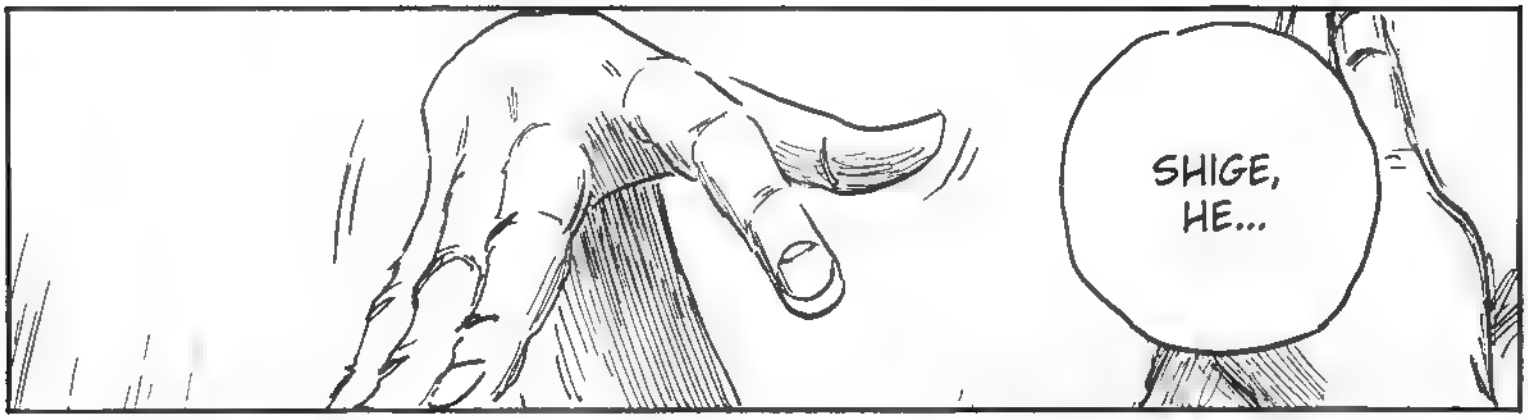
ぱっ


SHIGE, HE...

HE WAS OVER HERE, GOING WHOOOOO...
HE WAS FOOLING AROUND ...

...I'M SO SORRY...

HE LOST HIS BALANCE... AND HE FELL. SHIGE FELL!!
I'M SO SORRY, I WAS TOO LATE!
I'M SORRY...!
I WAS HERE. I SHOULD HAVE SAVED HIM...!
I'M SO SORRY !!

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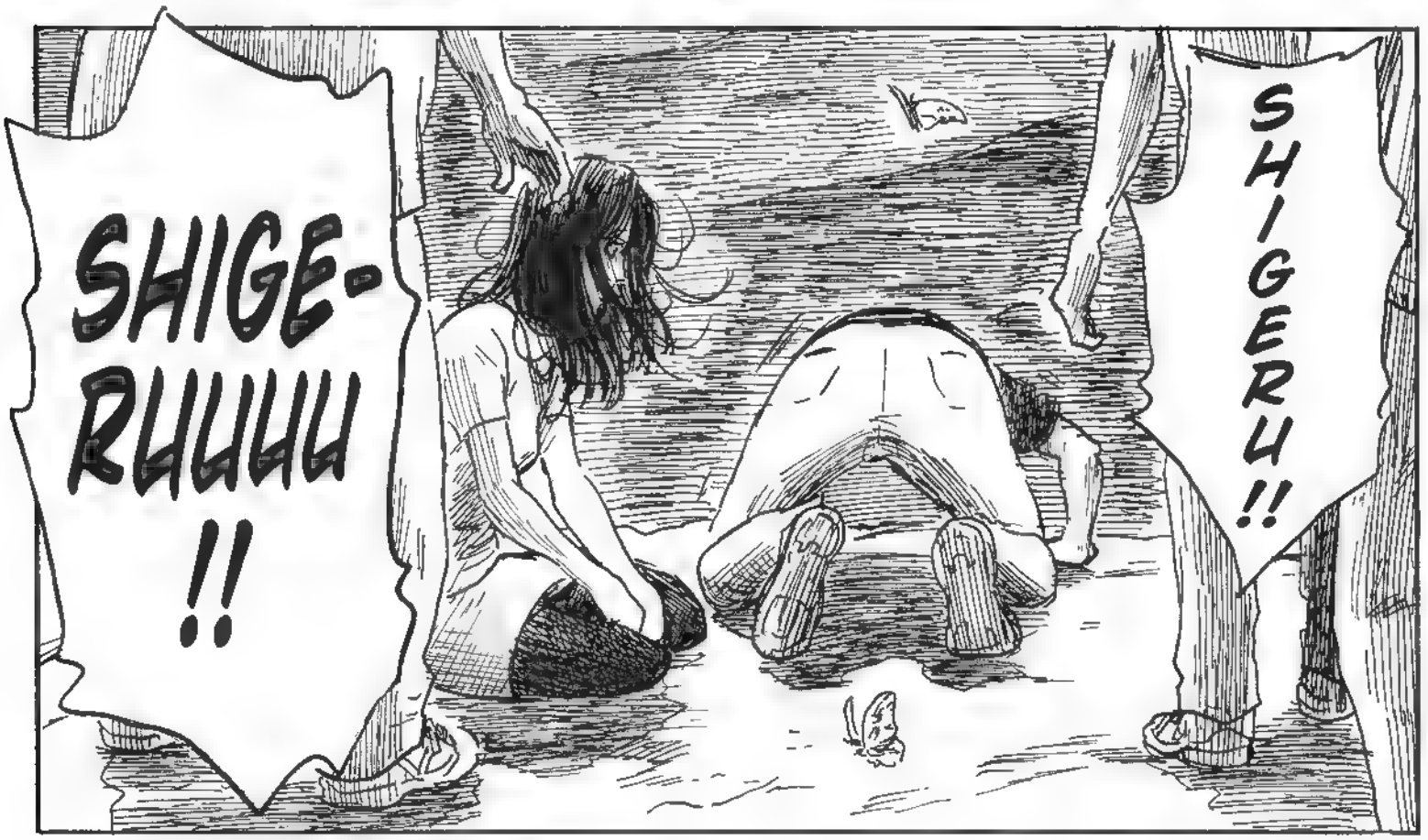

SHIGERU!!
SHIGE-RUUUU!!

SHIGE-RUUUU!!

OVER THERE! HIS HAT!

WHAT ?!

HEY!

WE HAVE TO HELP HIM !!

SHIGE-RUUUU !!

SHIGERU !!

CARE-FUL !!

HFF...

WE GOTTA FIND A WAY TO GET DOWN THERE !!

... ROGER!

ICHIRO !

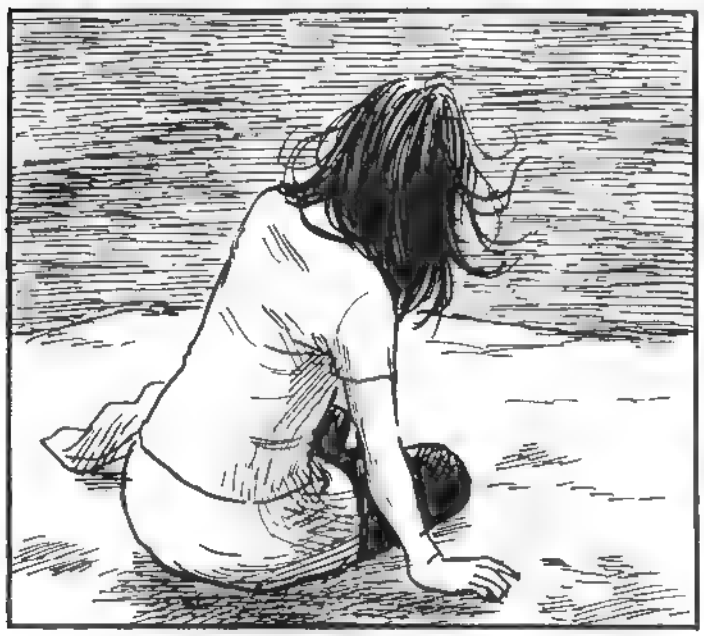
YOU HEAD BACK AND CALL FOR HELP!

RIGHT !!

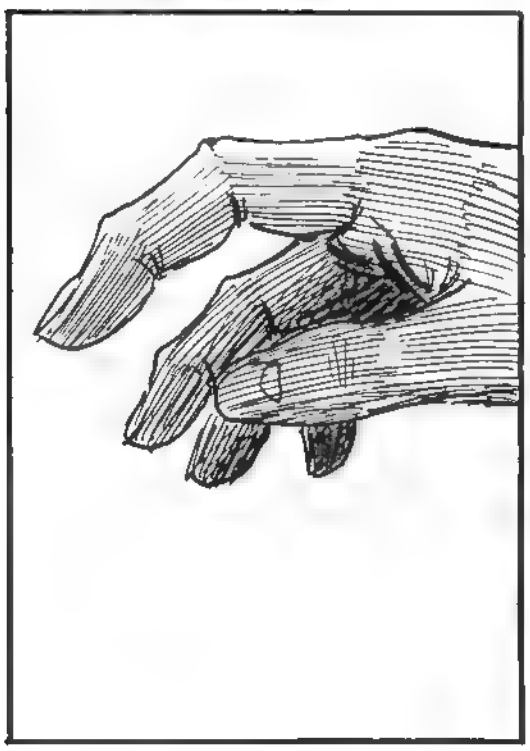
MOTHER, FATHER, YOU TRY OVER HERE...

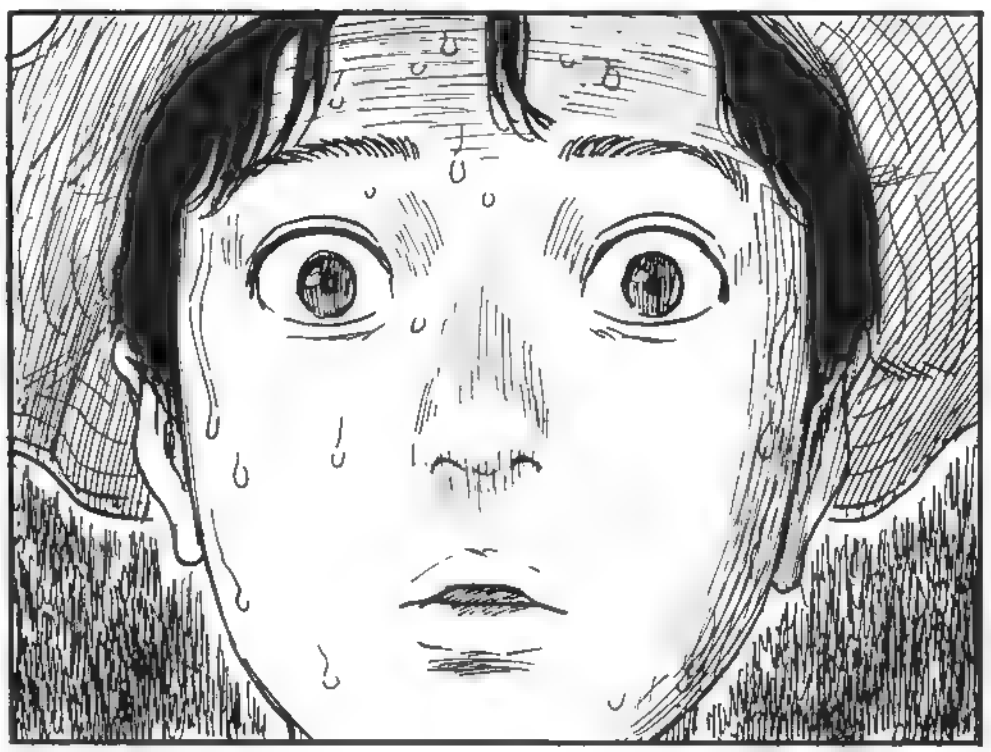
WE'LL LOOK FOR A WAY DOWN OVER THERE!

SHHF
GO, GO !!



SHF
SHFSHF





I'M SURE SHIGERU WILL BE OKAY.

DON'T WORRY...

SEIICHI!

TAKE CARE OF YOUR MOM!

YOU JUST WAIT HERE, OKAY ?

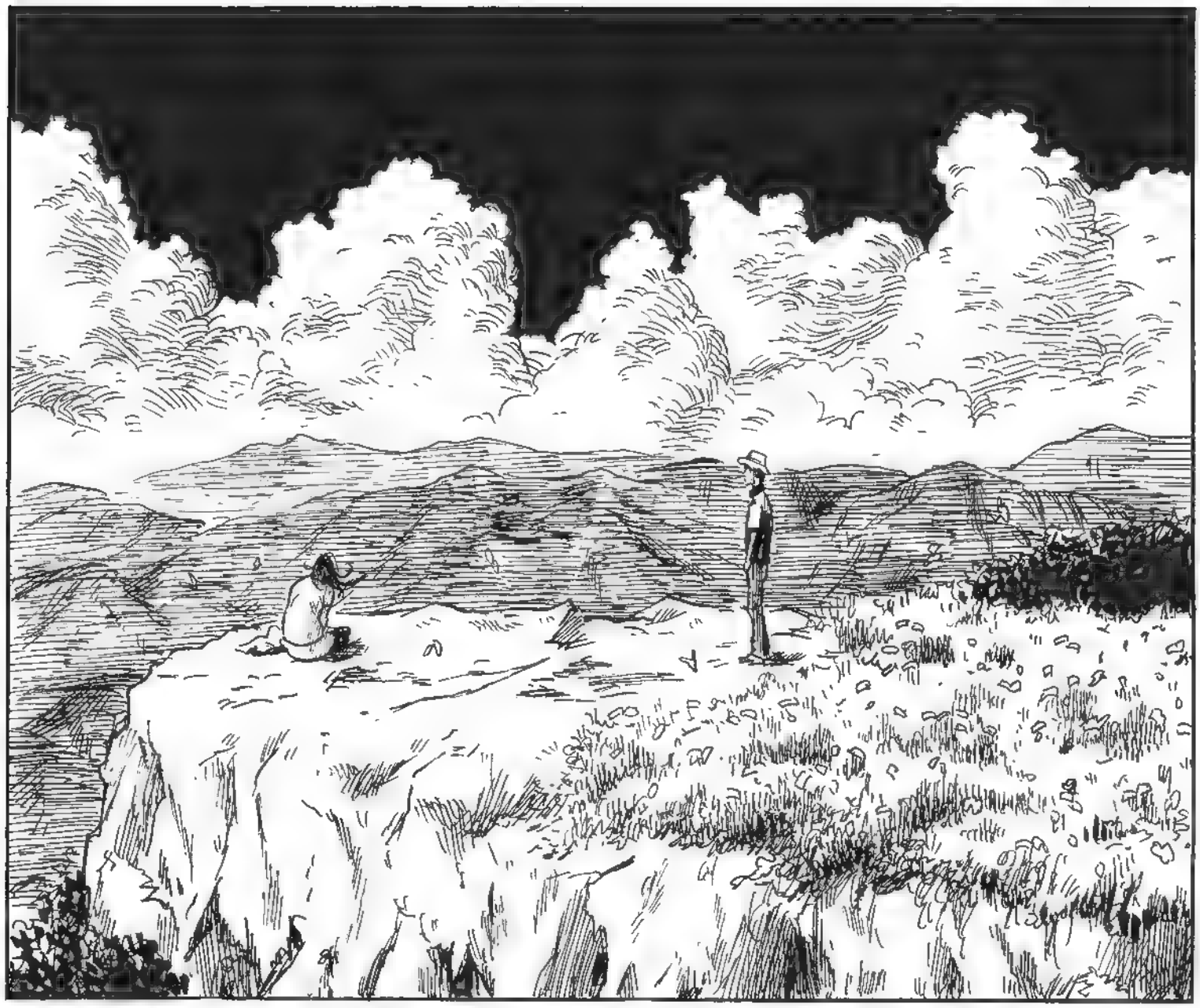
DADDY'S GOING BACK DOWN TO GET HELP...

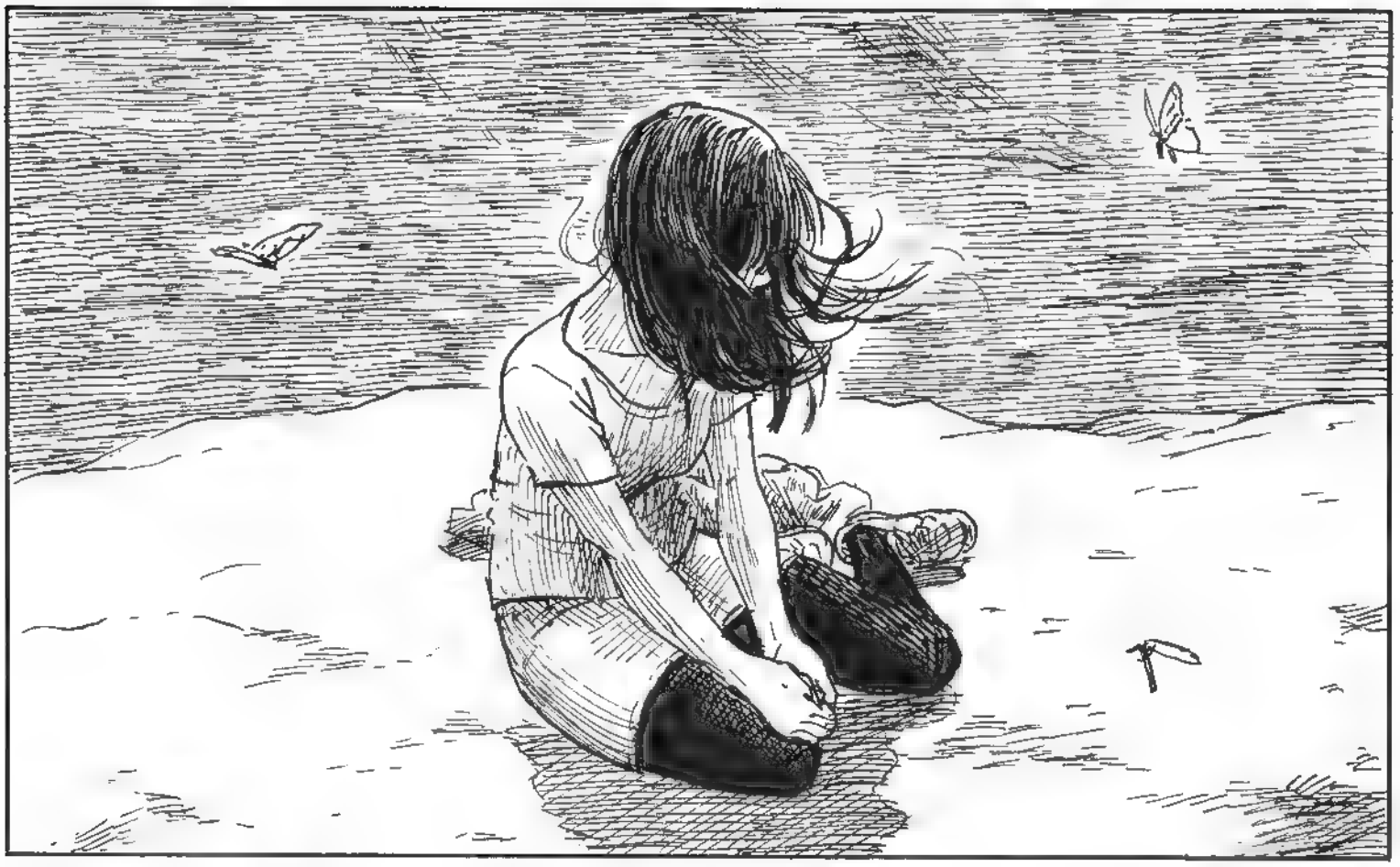
SHOOM

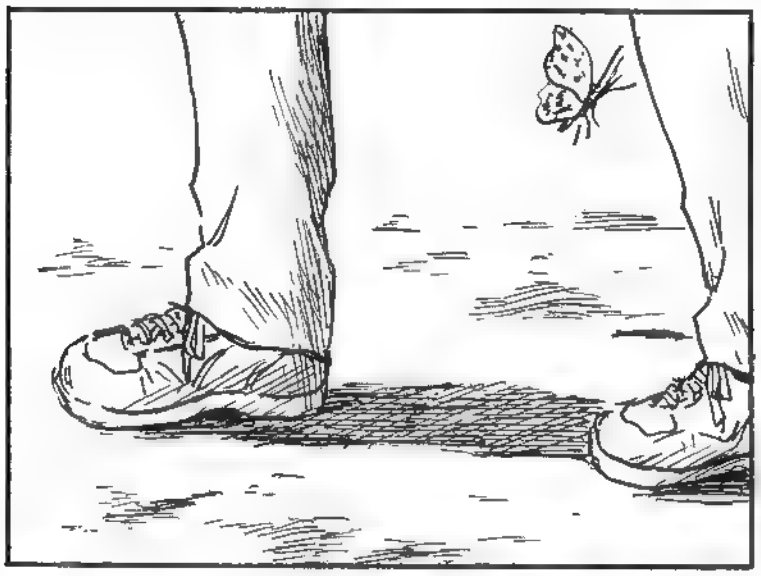
RUSTLE

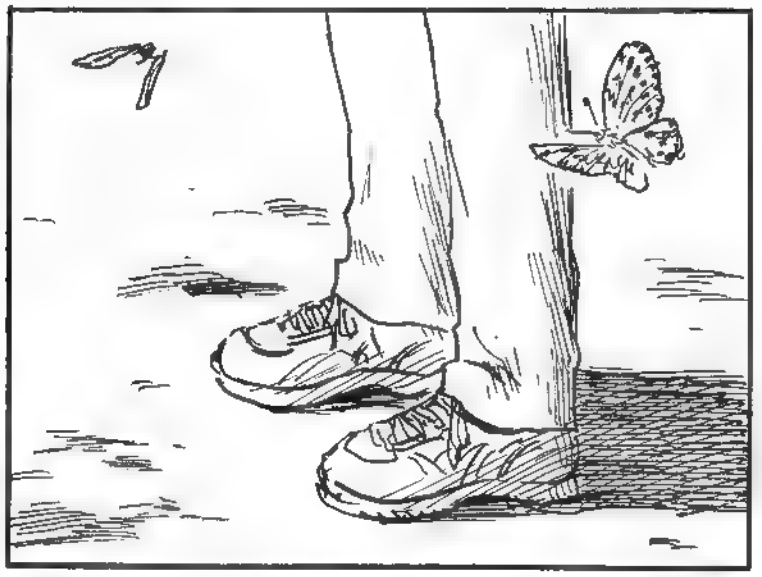
RUSTLE

RUSTLE









PSS

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PSS

OH, NOW YOU SAY SO? IT'S WAY TOO LATE FOR THAT NOW.

WAY TOO LATE.

THAT'S... THAT'S NOT IT AT ALL.

WE'RE JUST REALLY CLOSE.

HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO TELL YOU, I'M NOT YOUR MAID.

HNH... LET'S JUST GO HOME.

I DON'T WANT TO CLEAN THE HOUSE.

EEHEE.

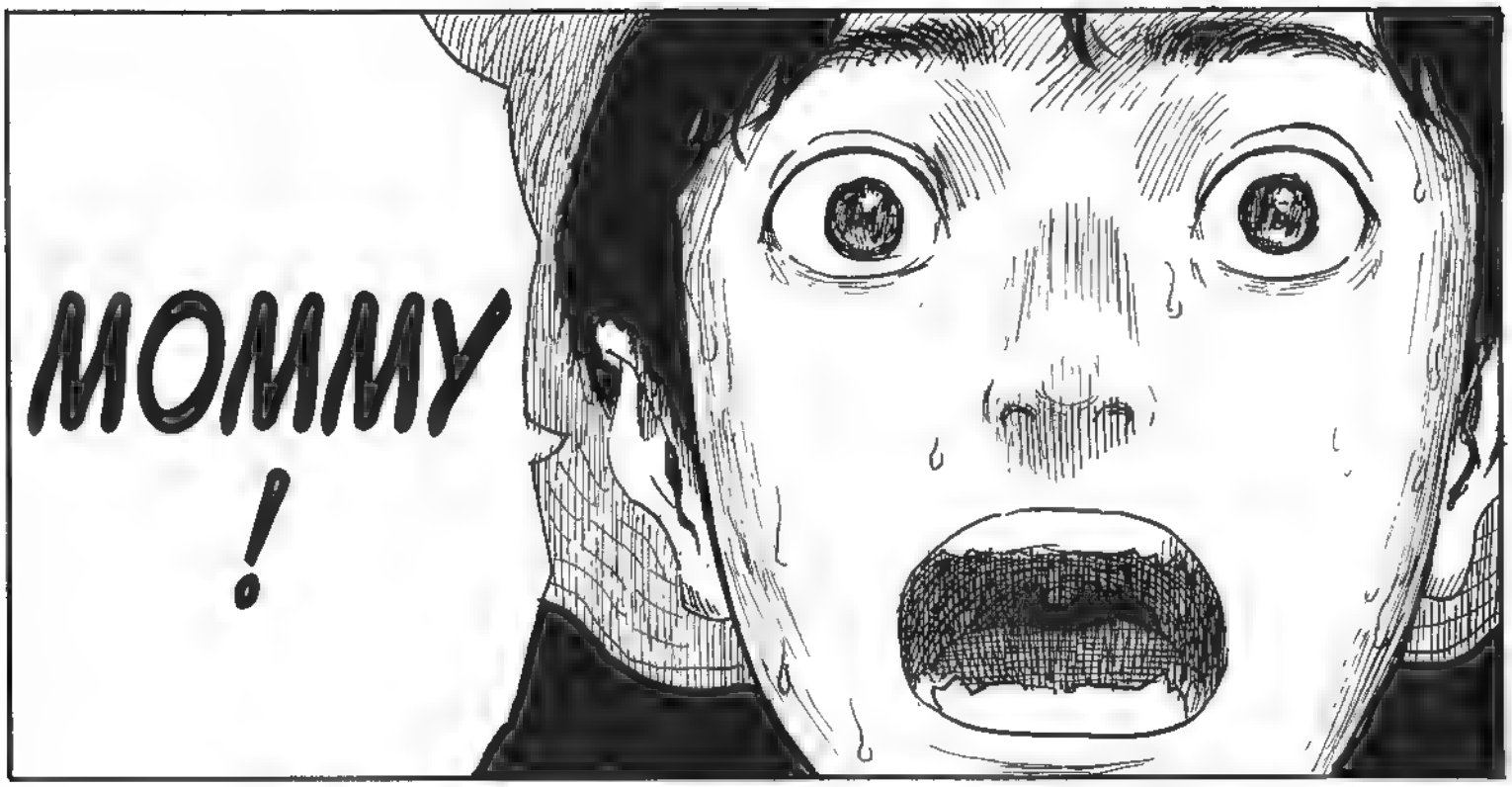
SEE? THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU SMOKE TOO MUCH.

THE WATER, IT'S ALL DIRTY.

...MOMMY.

I'VE NEVER SEEN ANYTHING LIKE IT BEFORE...

TAKE A GOOD LOOK. IT'S SO BEAUTIFUL...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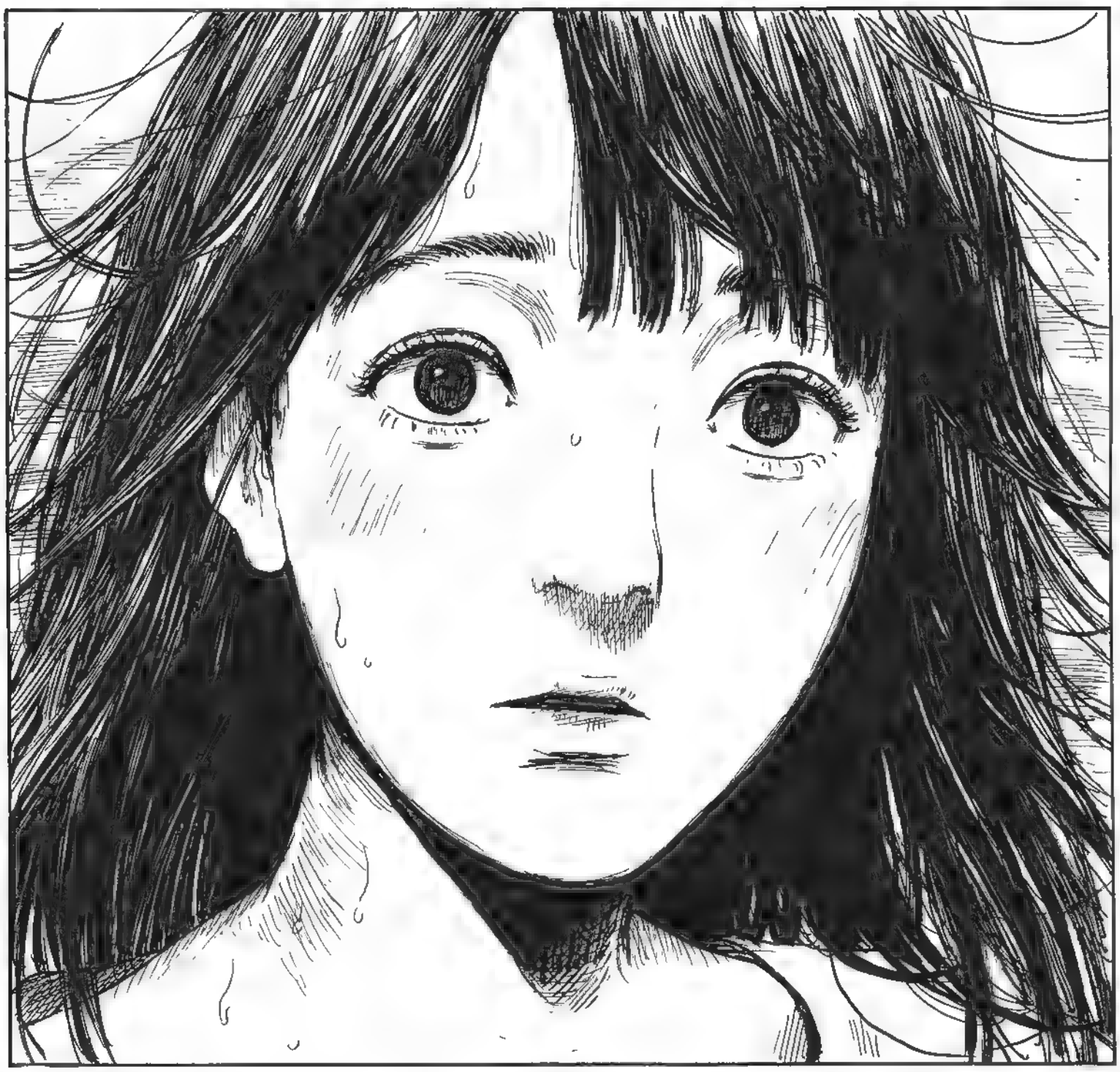

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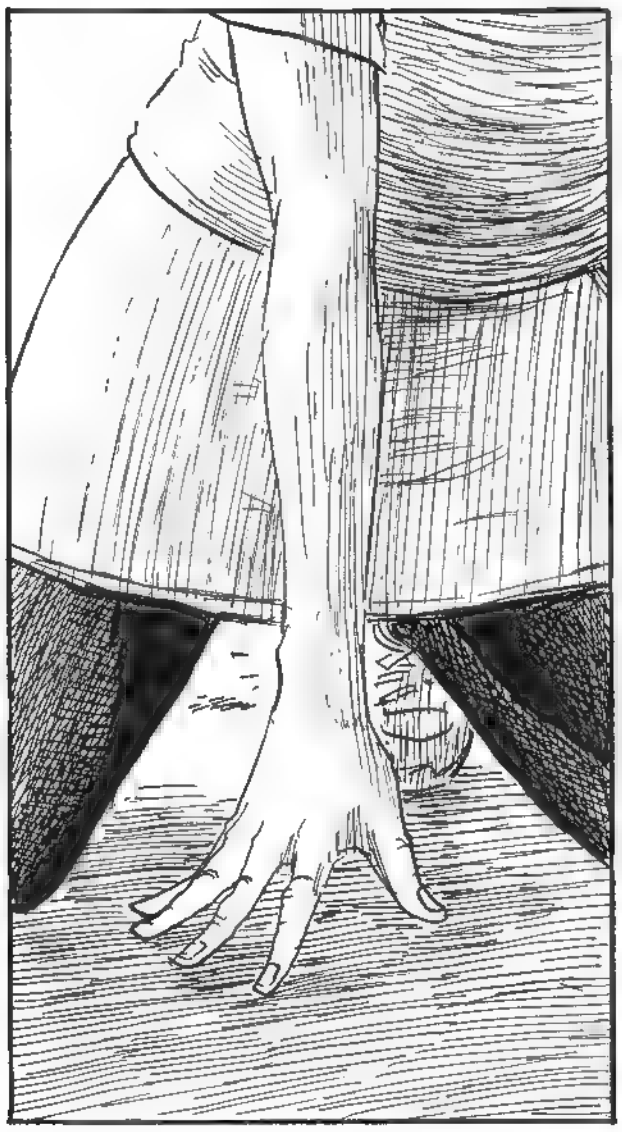

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HOLD ME TIGHT...

Photo Album

Seiichi
at birth

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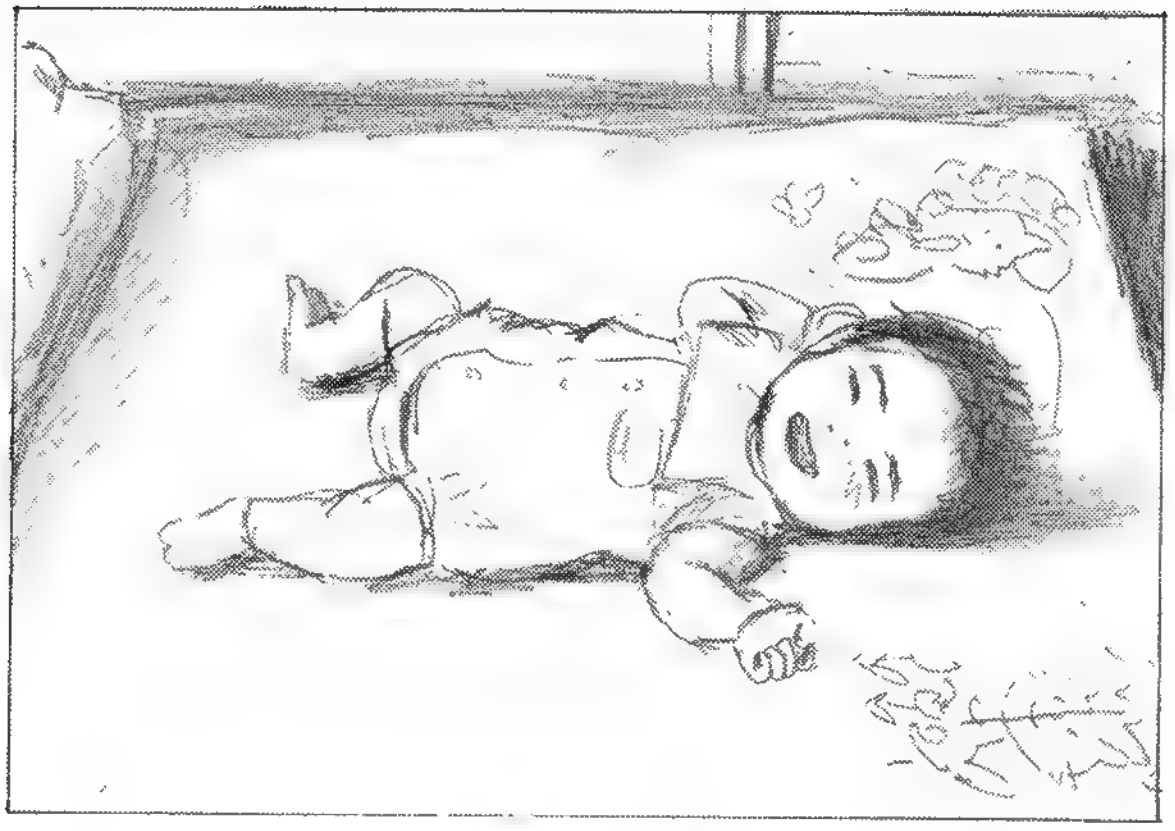

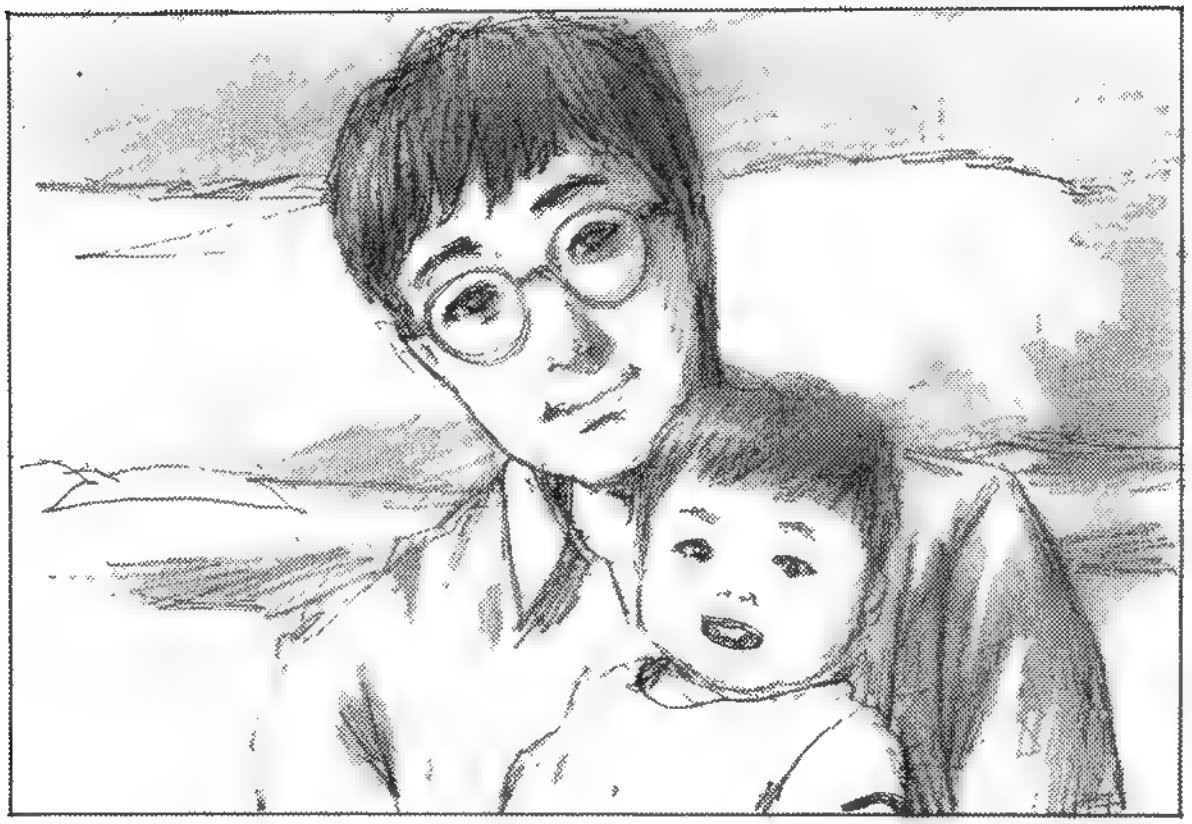

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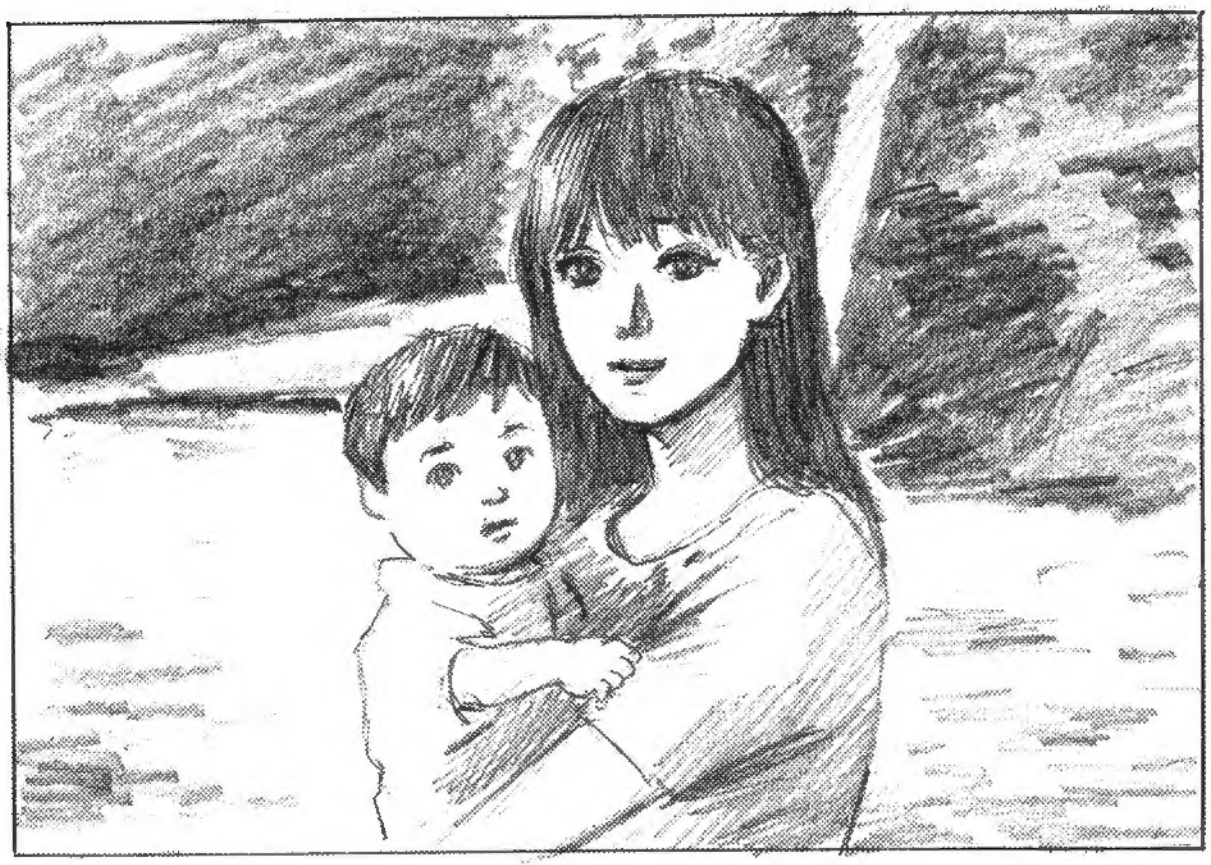

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